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Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hopkins will leave Monday for their northern home in Commonwealth, Wisconsin.

MUCH INTEREST IN PROPOSED CHANGE

NAMES OF MANY CITIZENS SUGGESTED TO BE MEMBERS OF THE PROPOSED CITY CHARTER BOARD.

That much interest is being shown in the proposition to change the form of municipal government of the city of New Smyrna, is indicated by the fact that numerous names have been suggested for members of the proposed charter board, which will be elected by the voters at the special election called for April 17.

One petition has been filed with the city council asking that the names of J. J Birch, T. L. Howell, D. C. Silvers, W. P. Wilkinson and A. M. Yarbrough be placed on the official ballot for the charter board election. It is understood that other petitions are being circulated and will be filed with the council later.

The general sentiment among the citizens who are really in favor of the change to the commission-manager form of city government is that a careful selection should be made for members of the charter board and that in making these selections politics and factional feelings should be eliminated in the desire to select men who are really qualified to prepare a new charter for the city.

The preparation of the new charter will require a vast amount of work on the part of the members of the charter board and the members of this board should be men who have the time to devote to this work. There are many things which should be incorporated in the new charter, if the best interests of the city of New Smyrna are really to be taken into consideration, and politics, personal feelings and factional prejudices should be entirely forgotten in this election. Every citizen of New Smyrna really wants to see the city grow and progress and the new charter will supply the rules and regulations for the future growth of the city.

The election of the charter board and the preparation of the new charter has nothing to do with the selection of the men who will later be chosen to administer the affairs of the city. The fundamental principles of the city's government will be set forth in the charter—the election of the city officers will come later, and can be taken care of when the time comes.

To Discuss Commission Form

The next meeting of the Men's Fellowship club will be held next Thursday night in the Trinity Methodist church and a very cordial invitation is extended to the members of the Men's club, as well as every man and woman in the city, to attend this meeting. The subject for discussion will be a continuation of the subject of changing to the commission-manager form of government, and everybody will be given an opportunity to discuss the subject from his point of view.

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AVERTING OF STRIKE BRINGS SATISFACTION

The settlement of the threatened railroad strike the first of this week brought general satisfaction to the people of New Smyrna and vicinity, to both employes of the railroad and others. Granting of the eight-hour demand of the railroad men was particularly pleasing to them, as it settles the uncertainty of whether the provisions of the Adamson law were to be put into effect.

Railroad men figure that the new eight-hour law means a 20 per cent increase in the operating payrolls of the train, engine and yard employes. It means that the men who work ten hours hereafter will get a 25 per cent increase over their old pay and for eight hours work will get the same pay as they formerly received for ten hours work.

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The officers appointed are H. S. Jenison, assistant secretary; T. V. Pomar, comptroller and assistant treasurer; W. A. Blount, general counsel.

Hotel Company Officers

The election of officers for the Florida East Coast Hotel company resulted as follows:

Directors: W. H. Beardsley, Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., W. A. Blount, J. E. Ingraham, L. C. Haines

Officers: President, W. H. Beardsley; vice president, Wm. R. Kenan, Jr.; secretary, J. C. Salter; Treasurer, L. C. Haines.

Officers appointed: H. S. Jenison, assistant secretary; C. R. Mackey, assistant treasurer; W. A. Blount, general counsel.

Car Ferry Company

The directors of the Florida East Coast Car Ferry company elected are as follows: W. H. Beardsley, Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., J. P. Beckwith, R. W. Parsons.

Officers: W. H. Beardsley, president; Wm. R. Kenan, Jr., vice president; J. P. Beckwith, vice president; J. C. Salter, secretary; L. C. Haines, treasurer; J. S. Jenison, assistant secretary; T. C. McNamee, assistant secretary.

Appointed officers: W. A. Blount, general counsel; R. W. Parsons, manager; T. V. Pomar, comptroller and assistant treasurer; Carroll H. Smith, consulting engineer.

COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS AT PORT ORANGE

The Volusia County Medical society met last Thursday night at Port Orange as guests of Dr. Masters. A symposium on nervous prostration (neuresthenia) and a talk by the president of the state society composed a part of the program. Dr. Masters entertained his guests with a six-course dinner. Those present felt greatly repaid for going, although this is the busy season of the year. Dr. J. J. Kindred of New York, and alienist of reputation, discussed the subject in detail. Dr. Huntington of the U. S navy, was also a guest of honor. Resolutions of regret were offered on the loss by death of an old member of the society, Dr. Stephens of DeLand. Dr. E. W. Warren of Palatka described how the charlatans are being caught in the net of justice and how many, having obtained licenses to practice under fraud are being compelled to leave the state. Some of those present were Dr. J. Blake White, Ormond; Dr. Dean T. Smith, Daytona; Dr. W. C. Chowning, New Smyrna; Drs. Reeves and L. C. Ingram, DeLand; Dr. F. J. Walter, Daytona; Dr. John MacDairmid, DeLand; Dr. Hunt and Dr. Holland of Maine; Dr. DuBois of Port Orange.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hopkins will leave Monday for their northern home in Commonwealth, Wisconsin.

MUCH INTEREST IN PROPOSED CHANGE

NAMES OF MANY CITIZENS SUGGESTED TO BE MEMBERS OF THE PROPOSED CITY CHARTER BOARD.

That much interest is being shown in the proposition to change the form of municipal government of the city of New Smyrna, is indicated by the fact that numerous names have been suggested for members of the proposed charter board, which will be elected by the voters at the special election called for April 17.

One petition has been filed with the city council asking that the names of J. J. Birch, T. L. Howell, D. C. Silvers, W. P. Wilkinson and A. M. Yarbrough be placed on the official ballot for the charter board election. It is understood that other petitions are being circulated and will be filed with the council later.

The general sentiment among the citizens who are really in favor of the change to the commission-manager form of city government is that a careful selection should be made for members of the charter board and that in making these selections politics and *factional feelings* should be eliminated in the desire to select men who are really qualified to prepare a new charter for the city.

The preparation of the new charter will require a vast amount of work on the part of the members of the charter board and the members of this board should be men who have the time to devote to this work. There are many things which should *be incorporated in the new charter*, if the best interests of the city of New Smyrna are really to be taken into consideration, and politics, personal feelings and factional prejudices should be entirely forgotten in this election. Every citizen of New Smyrna really wants to see the city grow and progress and the new charter will supply the rules and regulations for the future growth of the city.

The election of the charter board and the preparation of the new charter has nothing to do with the selection of the men who will later be chosen to administer the affairs of the city. The fundamental principles of the city's government will be set forth in the charter—the election of the city officers will come later, and can be taken care of when the time comes.

To Discuss Commission Form

The next meeting of the Men's Fellowship club will be held next Thursday night in the Trinity Methodist church and a very cordial invitation is extended to the members of the Men's club, as well as every man and woman in the city, to attend this meeting. The subject for discussion will be a continuation of the subject of changing to the commission-manager form of government, and everybody will be given an opportunity to discuss the subject from his point of view.

In order to have a comprehensive debate on the subject Dr. W. C. Chowning has consented to discuss the subject from the standpoint of continuing the city government as it is, and H. U. Bonnet has consented to discuss the subject from the standpoint of the advantages to be gained from a change to the commission-manager form.

A cordial invitation is also extended to the ladies to attend this meeting.

AVERTING OF STRIKE BRINGS SATISFACTION

The settlement of the threatened railroad strike the first of this week brought general satisfaction to the people of New Smyrna and vicinity, to both employes of the railroad and others. Granting of the eight-hour demand of the railroad men was particularly pleasing to them, as it settles the uncertainty of whether the provisions of the Adamson law were to be put into effect.

Railroad men figure that the new eight-hour law means a 20 per cent increase in the operating payrolls of the train, engine and yard employes. It means that the men who work ten hours hereafter will get a 25 per cent increase over their old pay and for eight hours work will get the same pay as they formerly received for ten hours work.

Newton Butcher, who has been here for several weeks visiting his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Swinford, left Wednesday for his home in Terre Haute, Ind.

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(Continued from last week.)

CHAPTER XXI.

"You Cannot Leave Me Now."

FOR two days and two nights the girl fought on alone against the outcry of her heart until she recognized the futility of it, and then she ordered Ragtime to be saddled. And Miriam Burrell, sighting Barbara's face as the latter wheeled toward the hills, flew from her window to scratch off a note to Garry—her third note that day, for she seemed always omitting most important things which needed saying.

"It's come," she scrawled in delighted haste. * * * When are we going to be married?"

Once before Barbara had ridden that road with him alone in her thoughts. Now she realized that she had loved him then as she must have loved him always and marveled at such blindness. Once, on that other day, she had told herself that all ignoble and unworthy comparisons of herself and him were done and gone. Now she did not need such reassurance, when her lips were tremulous.

She grew pensive at times. At times in an abandon of gayety she chattered back at a quarrelsome squirrel in the thicket. She could rest later, and if she could not go to him immediately at least every step the horse took was bringing them for a little while closer together. And her tomorrow was only one twilight and one dawn away. Her tomorrow would be his as utterly as was she herself.

Dusk came, and regretfully she told herself that she must be turning back home. Two rifle shots, sharp and startlingly close, whipped through the quiet of that lazy afternoon, but they meant nothing to her. She had reached the height of land, where he had found her the day her roan mare strayed off while she sat mooning on a log. She was holding out both arms toward the spot where the valley of Thirty Mile must lie when a team of heavy horses broke around a turn in the road, slowed to a trot at the sight of her and came to an abrupt standstill. When the girl rode nearer to them, merely surprised and curious at first, they snorted and showed the whites of their eyes and shied back nervously.

Something chill clutched at Barbara's heart while she spoke peremptorily to Ragtime who was dancing in sympathetic panic. There was nothing to tell her, but she knew that these were Big Louie's horses. And Big Louie was a dreamy incompetent. He had left them for a moment, that was all, and they had become frightened and bolted. But Big Louie never neglected his team—they were not wet—they had not been running far. And their fright became less when she dismounted and approached them, soothing them with her voice until they let her touch their sleek sides without rearing away.

Dusk had come and gone, for it was growing dark. Uncertain, more and more unnerved as she stood and gazed at the forbidding, black shadowed ridges beyond her, the girl had to fight suddenly against an impulse to turn and race back to the lower country and Morrison and home. Even then the rifle shots meant nothing to her—and pride would not let her run. She remounted and rode on a rod or two and stopped to look back at the team which was watching her. She pressed on and rounded the curve. Ragtime reared and snorted there, and she barely stifled the cry which his strange behavior brought to her lips. Because of her senseless panic she punished him the more severely and sent him on. And then she saw what the horse had already seen.

A blue shirted figure lay half in the road, half in the undergrowth that fringed it, one arm crooked under him and his face prone in the dust. A bulkier mass was stretched wholly within the trail—and she recognized him too. Big Louie's face was upturned, and the explanation of the two rifle reports and the driverless team was here, for Big Louie's hand still clutched the handle of a canvas pail. They had stopped to water the horses; they had been shot down from behind. And first of all, unable to move, while horror parched her lips, the girl remembered words which the limp one, half in the road and half in the underbrush, had spoken to her in a moment of sternness.

"He has fired upon me from cover," the man who loved her had said. "He has been taking money from a man who was bent on beating me at any price!"

"Blood sickens me!" she whimpered aloud. "Blood sickens me!" But she managed to turn him over upon his back. With brown head against his heart she listened—listened and would not believe that her tomorrow might come too late. And then she caught the slack pound of his pulse.

From there on she was less panic stricken. She gained control of faculties shocked for a time into uselessness. Method marked her acts—deliberation mechanical, but sure. She was horribly afraid of Big Louie, but she finally disentangled the handle of the pail from those loose fingers and ran to the brook which babbled near at hand. Returning, she drenched Steve's face with icy water. She lifted his head and propped it as comfortably as she might upon one thigh and opened his flannel shirt. The ball had passed through, for back and front the shirt became immediately wetter with fresh blood. Blood sickened her, but she whipped off the coat of her boyish riding habit and wrenched the sleeves from her linen blouse. They were desperately scant, yet they provided pads with which to check that dreadful oozing. And when they were in place she turned again to bathing his forehead.

A folded sheet of paper came to view when she tried once to ease his heavy body from the position which was numbing her leg, and she seized upon it fiercely. It was only a brief line, bidding him come to her, but it bore her name. With instant, bodiless clarity which had marked all her mental processes so far, its purport was hers. She had not written—the hand that had traced her signature had been unstrung for once. She understood, though such knowledge seemed of little moment now.

She kept the pads cold and wet. She went for fresh water and stumbled and fell more than once because of the treacherous footing in the deepening shadows. But she was no longer afraid of the dark. She had grown to fear Big Louie less, even though there was no help for Big Louie any more. It was the first time that Barbara had looked upon the face of a man who had died in violence. Big Louie's face was growing indistinct now, but she knew that he was smiling—knew that his eyes were dreamy and mild. Death, like life, had been a quite incomprehensible puzzle to that slow witted one who had no name. But he had smiled seldom in life. In death his smile was almost childish, almost sweet and questioning, beyond all else.

Alone with him who still lived, the pallid girl sat and waited and wondered how long—or how soon—it would be. When she bade him wait until she could bring the team he nodded his comprehension. He was watching for her return. And he came to his feet with a readiness that made her heart leap with hope. But he fell twice before she lifted him, half with her hands, half with her voice, to the seat.

She crawled in beside him, and the next moment she had to struggle madly to prevent his returning to Big Louie.

"He will wait quiet until we come for him," she protested. "There isn't room for Big Louie—and he won't mind"—

Her logic made an impression upon him, for he smiled. There was no sequence in his acquiescence, however.

"Big Louie never could find his way alone," he mused, "and that is strange, too, for he was born in these hills. He was always getting lost"— And with that he must not desert Louie! She had even more trouble with him this time. "He will lose his head," he expostulated mildly—his old, unfailing attitude of gentleness toward her. "He will lose his head and waste his strength in running from things which do not exist."

"Big Louie will find his way this time." She was whimpering again in her helplessness. "He is—already home."

There she learned that her voice could control him when her arms availed not at all against even his dead weight. And so she talked as steadily as she was able while she drove. Once he lurched against her. When he pulled himself together he was so sanely apologetic of a sudden that she searched his face with hungry eyes. But he was talking now to himself.

"I must not touch her!" he stated firmly. And then, drearily: "I am sick. I have never been so sick—before."

With that he subsided, but his silence was far more dreadful than his wanderings had been, and as fast as she dared she pushed the heavy team on, with Ragtime following behind like a dog. He slipped back against her almost immediately, and this time he had not the strength with which to apologize nor lift himself erect. With his head heavy in the hollow of her arm, they came at length to the open pasture hills. They topped the rise and faced the loops on loops of highway that ran down to Morrison at the river edge. And so she brought him home. At the sight of his "city" she sobbed aloud, but he, sunken and slack, was conscious neither of distance covered nor change of country. He climbed down from the seat, however, in response to her urgings when the team halted before Caleb Hunter's white columned house. He turned and started stubbornly back the way they had come.

She ran after him and clung to his arm.

"You promised that you would come back to me," she cried up at him. "Oh, you cannot leave me now!"

Alone With Him Who Still Lived, the Pallid Girl Sat and Waited.

That halted him momentarily.

"I must go back to my bridge," he explained, plainly nonplused. "But then I'll surely come back to you."

She pleaded with him—raged at him.

"I must go back to my bridge," he reiterated, gruffly now.

Her arms went around him in desperation, and then, with one swing, he had swept her yards away, reeling before his blazing wrath.

"Take your fingers from my eyes, Harrigan," he gasped in sudden agony. "I am going to kill you now, and she is looking on!"

The girl was afraid of him. She dared not try to hold him. She screamed wildly for help and screamed again. And he had gone on and wavered and crashed over upon his face when Caleb Hunter and her father came running heavily across the lawn in answer to her shrieks.

Between them they lifted him and carried him into the house.

(To be continued.)

SHE JUST GETS IT.

When a Woman Makes Up Her Mind That She Wants a Thing.

The main difference between men and women is nowhere so marked as it is in the distinction between character and ability.

A man's ability is entirely separat from his character. A man may have genius and no character at all. It may have small abilities and fair character. In a man the two things appear to be entirely independent of on another.

But a woman's character is determined by her ability, or her ability determined by her character. In reality, therefore, women are far more simple than men, although they do not appear to be so. Women are more complicated outwardly than men. They offer more surfaces and variety. But closer observation and association among them tend to make them more alike.

Men, on the other hand, grow more complicated as you come to know them better. This is because their abilities and characters being unrelated and the proportionate measure of each subject to variations, new combinations are constantly being presented. The various things which go to make up the active power of a woman, on the other hand, are more closely related. Women, therefore, concentrate more than men, although they do not seem to do so, the process being unconscious.

That explains why, if a woman wants a thing and a man doesn't want her to have it, she always gets it. When a man wants a thing he plans to get it just as much as he can through the orderly processes of his mind and will. When a woman wants a thing she makes no plan at all but she gets it much more often than the man because everything in her whole makeup—conscious and unconscious—is working for it.

If you want to see conservation of energy and the perfection of efficiency watch the working of that perfectly coordinated machine a woman—getting a thing from a man that she wants. A Corliss engine, in comparison, is a soap box on wheels.—T. L. M. in Life.

LINCOLN FORGAVE HIM.

One Man Who Got a Pardon Without Even Asking For It.

Among the innumerable nuisances and "cranks" who called on Lincoln at the White House were many who sought to win favor by showing that they had been the first to suggest his nomination as president. One of these men, says Francis F. Browne in "The Everyday Life of Abraham Lincoln," was the editor of a weekly paper published in a little village in Missouri. He told the president that he was the man who first suggested Lincoln's name for the presidency and, pulling from his pocket an old, worn, defaced copy of his paper, exhibited to the president an item on the subject.

"Do you really think," said Lincoln, "that that was the cause of my nomination?"

"Certainly," said the editor. "The suggestion was so opportune that it was at once taken up by other papers, and you were nominated and elected."

"Ah, well," said Lincoln with a sigh, "I am glad to see you and to know that, but you will have to excuse me. I am just going to the war department to see Mr. Stanton."

"Well," said the editor, "I will walk over with you."

The president, with that good nature so characteristic of him, took up his hat and said, "Come along!"

When they reached the door of the secretary's office Mr. Lincoln turned to his companion and said, "I shall have to see Mr. Stanton alone, and you must excuse me." And then, taking him by the hand, he continued: "Goodby. I hope you will feel perfectly easy about having nominated me; don't be troubled about it; I forgive you."

Had to Do It.

"The defendant admits," said the traffic squad cop, "that he went around the corner on two wheels."

"Fifty dollars' fine or thirty days," said the judge.

"But does your honor know," interposed the defendant's counsel, "that the defendant was riding a bicycle?"—Buffalo Express.

The Stars.

If the stars should appear only one night in a thousand years, how men would believe and adore and preserve for many generations the remembrance of the city of God which had been shown! But every night come out these envoys of beauty and light the universe with their admonishing smile.—Emerson.

Perfume Has Weight.

Charles Bazzoni, a French chemist, has demonstrated that a grain of musk loses weight until it ceases to give off its odor, after which its weight remains the same. This proves that perfume is caused by volatile particles given off by the odoriferous body.—New York World.

Just His Sort.

"Gilthers has a mean disposition."

"He certainly has. Why, that man would like nothing better than to be a big, strapping six footer, with the shoulders of a prizefighter, and go to some health resort and strut around among the invalids."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Touching.

Jennie—Everything he touches seems to turn to gold. Jim—Yes; he touched me today for a sovereign.—London Opinion.

They Sink Backward.

Aquatic animals, as a rule, dive into the water head first and make more or less splashing. But the hippo sinks backward and goes down so quietly that if a hunter were standing near the edge of an African pool the big river horse would disappear without attracting attention. They keep up the custom in captivity, where there is no necessity of guarding against enemies. As they go down they throw up their noses and fill their lungs.

Peanuts In India.

The Indian peanut originally was grown as an edible nut, but the great importance of the crop in south India now is due entirely to the growth of the seed crushing industry both locally and abroad, and all efforts to improve the stock are with the view of increasing its oil yielding property.—Argonaut.

Navigating by Sound.

Steamboat captains use microphones installed in sounding leads to determine the character of river beds. The sound of the leads dragging on the bottom is transmitted by wire to regular telephone receivers.—New York Tribune.

And Got Called Too.

"Pa, who was the first inventor?"

"Adam, my son."

"What did he invent?"

"The poor excuse."—Exchange.

Needed It.

As soon as Adam awoke and saw Eve he coined the word "trouble."—Chicago Herald.

It is usually not so much the greatness of our trouble as the littleness of our spirit that makes us complain.

Charges are being made that the contractors on Polk county's million and a half dollars good road system are evading the contract by using inferior clay on the roads.

The season for calling cards has arrived. Leave your order with the News for engraved or printed calling cards of all kinds.

LOW TIDES ON THE BEACH

Afternoon and forenoon tides come at approximately the same hour and minute.

Day	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
1	6.37	7.35	9.06	7.34	8.51
2	6.59	8.25	10.01	8.33	9.43
3	8.04	9.37	10.58	9.35	10.30
4	9.05	10.30	11.47	10.24	11.17
5	10.03	11.25	12.31	11.14	11.57
6	10.58	12.10	1.07	11.58	12.37
7	11.18	12.56	1.46	12.38	1.13
8	12.31	1.37	2.20	1.14	1.49
9	1.17	2.11	2.50	1.47	2.24
10	1.56	2.46	3.23	2.20	2.55
11	2.35	3.21	3.57	2.51	3.43
12	3.12	3.54	4.34	3.25	4.31
13	3.49	4.33	5.20	4.04	5.37
14	4.29	5.12	6.15	4.51	6.39
15	5.12	6.02	7.17	5.50	7.41
16	5.59	6.47	8.22	6.55	8.42
17	6.25	7.48	9.27	8.00	9.40
18	7.29	8.50	10.30	9.03	10.32
19	8.22	9.51	11.28	10.06	11.25
20	9.19	10.50	12.22	11.01	12.17
21	10.17	11.19	1.10	11.56	1.05
22	11.11	12.11	1.51	12.46	1.46
23	12.09	1.33	2.42	1.28	2.28
24	1.01	2.23	3.24	2.16	3.11
25	1.52	3.07	4.13	2.59	3.58
26	2.39	3.14	4.58	3.42	4.15
27	3.28	4.40	5.54	4.28	5.28
28	4.19	5.34	6.31	5.15	6.21
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30	6.07	7.09		6.59	8.06
31	6.37	8.08		7.55	

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A MENTAL MYSTERY

By ALAN HINSDALE

We have become used to an electric station sending forth its power across a continent or an ocean without any other medium than the atmosphere, but few of us are prepared to admit that one human brain is capable of affecting another human brain without any other medium than that of the wireless telegraph.

Nevertheless, there are instances of such communication.

I believe that there is a mental force not yet explained scientifically that carries these messages, and I am going to give the reason why I have arrived at this conclusion.

I am an artist. From a child I have been absorbed in the beauties of nature and their transmission to another form. As a boy I could make these transformations so successfully that my pictures attracted the attention of my friends. Nothing would do but that I must be educated for an artist.

But there was no means for the purpose. A younger sister of mine had been left a small legacy by her grandmother. My sister—Eleanor was her name—insisted on devoting this money to my education. I declined to accept it at first, but she insisted that I would be a successful artist, my pictures would sell at good prices, and I could repay her. Thus encouraged, I consented and entered an art school.

Unfortunately my education took from me the ability I had shown in freehand drawing. The technique required for work that would pass the critics was obnoxious to me. Nevertheless, I persevered and mastered it. But I never regained the ability I had possessed to hit off something that indicated genius.

I spent several years after being graduated at the art school painting pictures, which were no better than hundreds of other artists could paint. I regretted that I had accepted my sister's loan, for I was scarcely able to make enough money to keep body and soul together, to say nothing of paying what I had borrowed.

One winter I broke down in health and in the spring was told I must have change of scene and air to build up my strength. In my weakened condition my debt to my sister got on my mind, and I could not get it off. Eleanor begged me to stop worrying about it, but without success. I was sent off to the seashore and lodged in a fisherman's cottage.

One morning I was sitting on the porch of the cottage looking out on the ocean. The sun was glinting the blue waves which were rolling in and breaking on the beach. Some fishermen were getting out their boat, gulls were flying hither and thither overhead, one occasionally darting down to pounce upon a fish. I was seized with a desire—natural to an artist—to portray this scene.

I had not been permitted to bring my artist's tools with me, so I could not do as I wished. As I sat in my comfortable wicker chair, fanned by a balmy sea breeze, I began to work over an imaginary canvas, laying down on it the view before me. The picture grew in my mind as plainly as if I were really putting it on canvas. I worked without effort—or at least seemed to do so—and was conscious of transferring the scene before me exactly as it was without the loss of any of its subtle beauties.

Nevertheless there must have been a severe mental effort, for as soon as I had finished my imaginary or mental work I lost consciousness and knew nothing till late in the afternoon, when I found myself in bed.

It was some time before I gained sufficient strength to go home. When I returned my sister told me that there was no further necessity for me to worry about my debt to her, for it had been paid. I asked her who had paid it, and she said that I had paid it myself. Further than that she would give me no information until I had fully recovered.

One day after I had got stronger I went, unbeknown to any one, to a room at home that I had used for a studio. There was a desk in it, and, going to this desk without any definite object, I noticed a pigeonhole that had been empty was now full of papers. I took them out and found they were letters that had accumulated during my illness. I opened one and read it. It was from a dealer in pictures asking me if I had any of my work for sale. He had a constant demand for it. Astonished, I opened another and another. They were all requests for my pictures.

While I was thus engaged my sister came in. She seemed much put out that I had come upon the letters. But the explanation must now come out, and she gave it to me.

One morning while I was at the seashore she had come into my studio and something, she knew not what, had prompted her to sit down before my easel, take my implements and begin to sketch. She had no ability whatever as an artist and was astonished to see a marine view grow on the canvas. Nevertheless, when she had finished she had no idea that she had produced a marvelous picture.

Her production was admired, and, attaching my name to it, she took it to a dealer, who sold it for $6,000. I went to see the painting, and what was my amazement to see that it was the scene I had mentally painted while at the fisherman's cottage. I had painted it with the freehand excellence of my youth, and yet it was a finished picture.

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SCHOOL NOTES

J. LINDSLEY ROWE

Principal G. W. Marks spent the week end with relatives in Daytona.

Preparation for the presentation of the high school play is progressing nicely.

There was no meeting of the faculty this week and the regular meeting will be held Monday after school.

Kenneth Disbennett received a sprained arm and a number of bruises and scratches in a fall from a holly tree in the rear of the schoolhouse.

The play which will be given at the commencement exercises of the eighth grade has been selected as "The Stars and Stripes Jubilee." The cast of characters has not yet been selected.

The enrollment in the fifth grade was decreased this week by the removing of Mary Sallas to Mayport and Geneva McLain to New York; and in the fourth grade by the removing of Ingred Thompson to Mayport.

At the regular meeting of the High School Literary society Friday afternoon an outing to the beach was proposed and the suggestion was favorably received by the members. Committees were appointed to look after transportation, finance, date and the edibles. The committees have reported that the picnic will be held this afternoon, busses leaving during the afternoon.

W. S. Cawthon, state high school inspector, visited the school Friday, both morning and afternoon. At chapel Mr. Cawthon gave an interesting talk to the pupils along the line of school work and during the morning visited the various grades. In the afternoon the inspector was present at the regular meeting of the High School Literary society. The inspector assured the pupils that he would do all in his power to put the New Smyrna school on the accredited list. The pupils and faculty were all much pleased with the inspector's visit here and hope he will find it possible to visit the school again soon.

Trials during the last week have demonstrated that among the boys of the school there are some good athletes. All they need is consistent training and good backing. There appears to be plenty of material for the making up of a good track team, and when the material and apparatus ordered arrives the training will begin in more earnest. Any one who doubts the statements of the writer about the prospects for a good track team to represent the New Smyrna school, let him go to the school at noon or recess and watch the boys in practice. Who can tell but what the names of "Brud" Robertson, "Buz" Langford, "Fran" Wilson, "Peeley" Pitzer, "Shike" Woodward, "Big 6" Bowman and "Dutch" Ferreira may go down in the annals of history of the track meets in Florida?

The next meeting of the High School Literary society will be held next week Friday afternoon. Visitors are cordially invited to attend the meting and listen to the following interesting program, which has been prepared by the committee:

Roll Call—Answered by quotations from Kipling.

Song—Selected.

Essay on Kipling—Maggie Smith.

Piano Duet—Ruth Jones and Julia Dilzer.

Reading—S. A. Merchant.

School Paper—Donald Schloot, editor-in-chief; Joe Simmons, Francis Wilson and Lee Pitzer, assistants.

Recitation—Susie Burnette.

Reading—Miss Wallace.

Oration—William Bowman.

Song—Selected.

Examinations this Week

The examinations for the sixth month of school are being held this week in the high school and grammar school. There are only two more months of school, the closing day being the 19th of May.

Junior Audubon Society

The Junior Audubon society will entertain at the school Friday afternoon. A good program has been arranged and a special invitation is extended to the parents to attend. Pins and badges have been ordered for the members of the society.

Eighth Grade Garden

The garden planted and worked by the pupils of the eighth grade is showing fine progress and the pupils are very proud of the showing. Nearly all of the plants are through the ground and are growing nicely. Some trouble is being experienced in keeping stray chickens off the garden.

Ministers Visit School

Rev. H. A. Spencer and Rev. F. E. Steinmeyer were visitors at chapel Monday morning, Rev. Mr. Steinmeyer taking charge of the exercises. His talk to the scholars was along the line of better and more efficient school work and was enjoyed by all the pupils. The ministers of the city, as well as all others, will always find a hearty welcome from the scholars and faculty.

Next Meeting Riley Society

The next meeting of the Riley society of the eighth grade will be held Friday afternoon, March 30th. An interesting program has been prepared and visitors are cordially invited to attend the meting. One of the interesting features of this meeting will be a debate, as follows: "Resolved, That a Horse Is More Useful than an Automobile." The affirmative side of the debate will be taken by Theodore Riley and Lucy King, and the negative side by Louis Howell and Lavinia Riley.

Riley Society Meets

The Riley society of the eighth grade met Friday afternoon, called to order by the president, Lester Robertson, with nearly all of the members present. The following interesting program was given:

Roll Call.

Reading of the minutes by the secretary, Edith Newell.

Reading, "Death of Nathan Hale," Lucy King.

Reading, "The Boy Washington," John Walker.

Reading, "Union Means Independence and Liberty," Edith Newell.

Reading, "Liberty or Death," Lester Robertson.

School Paper, Louis Boucholle.

Debate, "Resolved, That Washington Was a Greater President than Lincoln" Affirmative, Marshall Jones and Nellie Dutton; negative, Irvin Disbennett and Frances Swoope.

The debate was a spirited one and was decided in favor of the affirmative.

High School Literary Society

One of the most interesting meetings of the High School Lietary society held this year was the one held Friday afternoon. Nearly all of the members of the society and faculty were present, as was also State Inspector Cawthon. The pragram rendered was as follows:

Roll Call—Answered by miscellaneous quotations.

School Paper—Maude Roach, editor-in-chief; Howard Willis, Ruth Courtney and Margaret Knapp, assistants.

Piano Solo—Whitney Hibbard.

Reading—Miss Dortch.

Song—Selected.

Debate—"Resolved, That the U. S. Should Interfere with the Present Submarine Warfare." Affirmative, Joe Simmons and Alma Disbennett; negative, Lee Pitzer and Gwendolyn Roach.

The debate was an interesting one, with good arguments presented in convincing way by both sides. The judges awarded the decision to the affirmative side.

Parent-Teacher Club Officers

At the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher club held last Friday afternoon, the following officers were chosen to serve the club during the coming year:

President—Mrs. M. E. Langford.

Vice President—Mrs. H. A. Jernigan.

Recording Secretary—Miss Annie Pattillo.

Corresponding Secretary — Miss Rosalie Dortch.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. L. McAuley.

The officers who have served the club during the last year are: President, Mrs. G. C. Beck; vice president, Mrs. H. A. Jernigan; rercoding secretary, Mrs. R. W. Jones; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John Rowe; treasurer, Mrs. B. H. Wilson.

Several matters of importance were discussed, following the election of officers, and an interesting program was planned for the next meeting of the club.

A committee consisting of Mesdames Riley and Branning and Miss Pattillo was appointed to confer with the school board on the matter of having an extra pair of steps leading to the auditorium being placed in the new school bufilding.

Antonio Bruno, driver of a street sweeper in Tampa, was thrown to the curb and killed when an automobile driven by R. B. Diaz, assistant cashier of the Bank of West Tampa, struck the sweeper. Diaz was arrested and released under $3,000 bond.

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4.18a	2.45a	10.34p	7.50p	4.42p	3.45p	ar E. Gaille lv	1.10p	12.26p	6.52a	5.40a	.....	11.57p
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SHOULD MAKE CHANGE

With both New Smyrna newspapers supporting the very worthy project of securing a better form of civic government for New Smyrna, there would seem to be every reason why success should attend the effort. A charter board election has been called for April 17th, and it is more than likely the board will take the necessary steps for the introduction of the commission-manager form of government, somewhat after the plan as now in existence in St. Augustine. *It can be said in all sincerity that* if the people of New Smyrna take this progressive step they will never regret their action.—St. Augustine Record.

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ALBA COURT GUESTS

The following are recent arrivals at Alba Court Inn: Mr. and Mrs. J. Hurlson, Beaver, Pa., S. E. Hood, J. L. Morgan, New York City; Mrs. F. A. Sanborn, Winchester, Mass.; Mrs. W. H. Hawks, Plainfield, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Whitney, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. W. Beattie, Cohoes, N. Y.; J. T. Arnold and wife and J. L. Arnold, Bradford, O.

OCEAN HOUSE GUESTS

The following guests have registered during the last week at the Ocean House:

R. O. Lackey and wife, Richmond, Ky.; R. H. Shauffer, Boston, Mass.; H. Rittenhouse, Cumberland, Md.; H. F. Fleming and wife, Corning, Iowa; R. C. Caines, Charleston, S. C.; A. P. Belt, New York, N. Y.; Chas Watkins and wife, Jacksonville, Fla.; F. J. Laughein and wife, Jacksonville, Fla.; E. N. Parker, DeLand, Fla.; H. A. Taggart, DeLand, Fla.; R. E. Lenfest, DeLand, Fla.; Ben Hodges, Savannah, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hopkins, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy, Elizabeth, N. J.; C. H. Kirtland, Jacksonville, Fla.; E. M. *Brogden, Jacksonville, Fla.; J. E. Tay*lor and wife, Toledo, O.; F. E. Peterson and wife, Miami, Fla.; H. Cooper, Seymore, Conn.; A. L. Coleman Watresbury, Conn.; F. E. Ellis and wife, Tallahassee, Fla.; F. P. Loudman, Lake Alfred, Fla.; T. U. McQuerney, *Detroit, Mich.; Leo McQuerney,* Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Donley, Province, R. I.; C. W. Smith, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. D. [illegible] Wallbridge, Toledo, O.; Mr. and [illegible] Scudder, St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. and [illegible] T. L. Connable, Wilmington, Del[illegible]; Dr. M. E. Heck, St. Augustine, Fla.; H. T. Campbell and wife, New York, N. Y.; S. E. Heilug, wife and child, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. A. Wilson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; W. J. *Chapman, Jacksonville, Fla.; Jos.* Faulk, Palm Beach, Fla.; C. W. Bartleson, Jacksonville, Fla.; C. W. Tuncon, Atlanta, Ga.; H. C. Miller, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Mary De Bond, New York, N. Y.; R. F. Hatch, Jacksonville, Fla.; C. A. Clark, Jacksonville, Fla.; M. J. Hale, Jacksonville, Fla.; R. F. Metcalf, Lynchburg, Va.; W. J. Soper, wife and child, Fordham, N. Y.; L. H. Shade, Reading, Pa.; E. L. Wells, DeLand, Fla.; Mrs. G. W. Davis, Summit, N. J.; Miss Davis Summit, N. J.; Wm. H. Black, Upper Montclair, N. J.; Miss Black, Upper *Montclair, N. J.; Miss North* Hampshire, Nova Scotia; Jane N. Bailey, New Jersey; R. K. Wilson, Pittsburg, Pa.; F. N. Young, Chicago, Ill.; H. F. Bickenside, Chicago, Ill.; A. Cohn, Chicago, Ill.; L. H. Whitten, Jacksonville, Fla.; F. A. Ellis, Tallahassee, Fla.; and N. Smith, Jacksonville, Fla.

RIO VISTA GUESTS

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Miss Alma Reice, who died at Homestead February 9th, left to the Presbyterian board of missions about $150,000. She completely disinherited her nephew, E. A. Hudson, who resided in New Mexico. Hudson came all the way to Florida to attend the funeral, but when he learned that he had been "left out in the cold" by the will, left for home before the funeral took place.

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A cattle survey of Orange county was begun recently by Dr. E. O. G. Olmstead, veterinary inspector from the United States bureau of animal industry, for the purpose of locating sites for dipping vats, as the preliminary step toward systematic tick eradication work in that county.

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Lost on the Mountain Side

By ETHEL HOLMES

"Anything for me today, Sam?" asked a girl of a rural postman trudging along a road in Tennessee.

"Yes; I reckon I got one for you, Susie," said the man, looking over a bundle of letters he carried in his hand. Not finding it, he dived down into his bag and pulled out its contents, which he examined carefully.

"Well, now, that knocks me out," he said, with troubled and puzzled expression on his face. "When I sorted the letters for my route at the postoffice I sure saw one for you."

"And it's gone?" cried the girl in a frightened tone.

"Wait till I look 'em over again."

He examined every letter again and with the same result as before. He scratched his head in thought.

"I *stopped at the tavern for something* to warm me and threw my bag down on a chair."

"Oh, Sam! Was there any one in the room with you?"

"Let me see. There was a lean, hungry looking man in spectacles"—

"And a red beard?"

"'Pears to me he had a red beard."

The girl turned and ran away from the postman, who followed her with his eyes till she was out of sight.

Susie Barker, the girl in question, ran till she came to the tavern. There she stopped and asked the landlord which way the man with a red beard had gone. He had departed immediate*ly after the postman had gone in the* direction of the Cumberland plateau, the base of which was but a mile distant. Susie set out at a run, but she could not keep such a pace and soon settled into a hurried walk. A short distance from the foothills she saw the man she was after ascending the hill. She knew the trails leading up to the plateau and struck into one that was shorter than that the man was taking. She had not gone far before the two paths crossed. Sitting down on a stone, she waited for him to come to her.

"Howdy," she said to the stranger when he came up.

"Howdy," replied the man, scrutinizing the girl. "Y're not lost, are y'?"

"Well, I dunno. I come up hyer to find a gal I know, and I thort she lived purty nigh this place, but I don't find her somehow. I ain't used to these mountings. I never come up this way."

She looked exhausted and troubled. *She was very plainly dressed, but was* rather comely for a rough country girl.

"Is there anything I can do for you?" he asked.

"Nothin', unless you can put me on the track to find my friend I'm lookin' for. But mebbe you're a stranger in these parts yerself."

The man looked uneasy. He had good reason to shake the girl, but did not exactly know how to go about it.

"You're right there. I don't see how I can help you, since I'm not familiar with the country about here."

The girl looked about her with troubled glances. The man started to go on.

"Yer not goin' to leave a pore gal out hyer on this lonely hillside, air y'?" she said, looking at him reproachfully.

"I don't see how I can help it," said the man. "I don't know where you want to go, and I've got to get on myself."

"*D' y' mind my goin' on with y'?*" she asked pitifully.

"Well, I don't see how I can do that," was the reply, "seein' that I'll have to walk a great deal faster than you can."

"Try me."

The man looked perplexed. He couldn't very well leave a girl who was lost on the mountain side, and in the business in which he was engaged she would be an obstacle to him. Indeed, he could not very well accomplish it without getting rid of her.

"I haven't time to bother with you," he said crabbedly. "All you got to do is to go down the mountain and you'll find plenty of persons to tell you how to get home."

With that he started on, but, hearing a sob, turned and saw the girl with her hands to her face, shaking convulsively.

There is no weapon so powerful as a woman's tears. The man turned and went back to the girl. He did not get *away from her for an hour. First he* spent a good deal of time soothing her. Then she told him that she had sprained her ankle and could not walk. Finally footsteps were heard coming from above, and a young man appeared on the trail. He started on seeing the girl and the man.

"I reckon," said the girl to the man with the red beard, "that this feller will take me down. Much obleeged to you all the same."

The man addressed looked the other over and without a word started up the trail. The two watched him till he was out of sight, then the girl threw her arm around the newcomer.

"He's got the letter you wrote me. I reckoned it had the way to find you laid down purty clear, hadn't it?"

"Yes, it had."

"He tuk it from the postman. I followed him and have been delayin' him byar, hopin' to find some way to warn you."

"*Well, he'll get the still, but he won't* get me."

Clasped in each other's arms, they rejoiced that the delay she had caused had saved him from arrest and perhaps a term of imprisonment.

"Better give up makin' whisky, Ben," she said.

"*I'll do it for your sake.*"

THE PRESIDENT'S FLAG.

It Now Indicates When Mr. Wilson Is at the White House.

For the last quarter of a century at least the American flag has been raised above the White House when the president was there, and if the president went out for three or four hours the flag was pulled down, so that it would look as though the White House was only protected by the flag when the president was in residence.

The Woman's Relief Corps and the Grand Army of the Republic have protested against this for many years, but it seemed without making any impression. President Wilson, however, decided that the flag of the United States should fly over the White House from sunrise to sunset every day in the year. It seems to be necessary, however, that *there be some emblem to indicate that* the president is in the city.

President Wilson solved this problem by deciding that the president's flag should be raised over the White House whenever he was in residence and taken down whenever he was outside of the White House grounds.

The flag of the president of the United States is the president's naval flag, but it is little known to the public. As it flies above the White House, it represents the great seal of the United States—namely, an eagle displayed in proper colors, with the olive branch in one talon, the arrows in the other, and above its head a glory in which appear thirteen stars. This is displayed on a ground of red, the flag itself being blue. The seal is inclosed in one large five pointed white star, encircled by a row of forty-eight stars representing the states in the Union. It floats over the porte-cochere of the White House, and is in a straight line with *the seal of the United States flag,* which flies from the peak of the White House proper.—Washington National Tribune.

FLASH AND ROAR OF GUNS.

No Device to Muffle Them Has Proved a Practical Success.

Both the French and the German [illegible] have been trying for years to discover how to make a gun that shall be not merely noiseless, but shall emit no flash. For, as Nicolas Flamel says, [illegible] Nature, after dark two observers [illegible] the time can with accurate chronometers having luminous dials discover [illegible] the position of an enemy battery, or three observers, regardless of time, can do the same by grouping their observations. And this merely by the flash of the guns.

German inventors succeeded by adding a minute quantity of alkaline salts to their powder in diminishing the *flash, but they found that in proportion* as they suppressed the flash they increased the smoke. Other substances added to the powder for this purpose have been vaseline, alkaline soaps, oxalates and resinates of soda, barium and aluminum. None was successful.

The French tackled the problem as a mechanical rather than a chemical one. A gun is really only an explosion motor, and it seemed that there ought to be a way of muffling its sounds and its flash as those of other such motors are muffled. It was not until 1909, when Maxim invented his silencer, that the problem seemed on the way to solution. Many other silencers, most of which quench much of the light as well as the sound, have been invented since then, but none is a practical success in warfare, either from the point of view of sound or of light.

Figure Skating.

To learn figure skating one must devote himself to figure skating. There is a special figure skate, curved on the bottom so as to make curves and circles entirely possible. It is round toed, and on this forward curl are deep corrugations for toe spins.

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Aeroplane Bombs.

One of the officers of the Mexican National Aviation corps, which is in the charge of Colonel Alberto Salinas, has invented an apparatus for the discharge of bombs from an aeroplane by which three can be set loose at once in divergent directions, thereby greatly increasing the efficacy of this method of warfare.

Don't Believe It.

"Talk about fishing," said Harvey Titus, who was just getting under way. "What would you do if you found on your hook a 750 pound horse mackerel?"

"Do?" said the listener. "I'd get up, take a drink of water and lie on my right side for awhile."—New York Telegraph.

He Would, Indeed.

If the old fashioned man walked into a new fashioned grocery store and helped himself to a large juicy apple in the old fashioned way the store detec*tive would have him behind the bars* before he had reached the core.—Grand Rapids Press.

Human Nature Text.

Mighty few folks kin keep their place an' stand ter their raisin' with a new suit of clothes and a diamond pin. They just can't keep from thinkin' that this old world is only turnin' round to look at 'em.—Atlanta Constitution.

Able Distributers.

Kathryn—Of course this story about Kate is just between us two. Kitye—Sure! And between us two it ought to get a pretty wide circulation.—Puck

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WOMAN'S CLUB

Annual Election of Officers

The annual election of officers for the Woman's club for the coming year will take place at the regular meeting next Monday, March 26th. There will be no program, but all members are expected to be present, as much business must be transacted at this meeting.

Called Meeting of Woman's Club

All members of the Woman's club are especially requested to be at the club room tomorrow, Saturday, March 24th, at 3 o'clock, to meet Mrs. Edgar Lewis, vice president of the fifth section. A social hour will follow Mrs. Lewis' talk. Let everyone be present. MRS. J. F. VAN DEUSEN, President.

Beach Party

A beach party which gave a pleasant time to a large number of people was held yesterday afternoon, the gathering being in the nature of a farewell, as several of those present will be leaving soon for their homes in the *north. Several states were repre*sented, Michigan, Minnesota, Alabama, Connecticut, Kentucky, Oklahoma and New York. A delicious luncheon was served at Daugherty's hotel, after which the time was spent at cards, dancing and bathing. Those in the party were Judge and Mrs. F. J. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Osman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sately, Mr. and Mrs. Batterton and daughter Pauline, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hamlin and little son Charles, Mrs. Langford and daughters Marjorie and Winifred, Mrs. Allen, Mr. *Bruce, Grace and Laura Bruce,* Mr. Harry Battels and Mr. and Mrs. G. Fullerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Jackson very pleasantly entertained a number of *their friends Monday evening at their* home on Magnolia street. Cards, dancing and selections on the Edison provided the amusements. A dutch lunch consisted of potato salad, mayonnaise, ovlies, sweet gherkins, thousand island sandwiches, swiss cheese, pimento sandwiches, roquefort cheese and wine cakes. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson on this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. A. Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fullerton, Misses Mary and Jessie Bradshaw, and Messrs. Carl Hawkins and Charles Sams.

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Frank Brown, aged 26, an employe of a garage in Lakeland, died in intense agony recently. Some person dropped a lighted match in a little pool of gasoline and Brown's trousers leg caught fire. Brown then made a rush for the lake near by and as he went out of the garage some one picked up a pail of gasoline, thinking it was water, and threw it upon Brown, who continued toward the lake, but fell before he got there.

MAKES REAL CASH RETURNS

For every dollar spent in co-operative demonstration work in Florida by the state and federal governments through the University of Florida extension division, the farms and farmers are twenty-five dollars better off. Which is a remerkable return on the investment. The returns are made in the form of increased farm values, increased crop production, and increased herds of improved livestock. Part of the return is in cash; the rest of it is in the farm itself or its equipment.

You don't generally like figures, but *you will like these. Here are a few* of the items that go to make up the [illegible] returns:

Through following the demonstration methods, the corn crop was increased. That increase, figured at [illegible] cents a bushel, was $51,572. The increase in silage at $4 a ton was $14,[illegible]. The increase in hay at $20 a ton was $10,320. The increase in oats [illegible] cents a bushel was $20,547. Going on through the list you will find cowpeas and velvet beans netting an increase of $52,350. Irish potatoes [illegible] an [illegible] production amounting to more than a housand dollars, and sweet potatoes, an increase of nearly [illegible] dollars.

Through demonstration methods used in handling livestock, the total return was $492,710, which includes the value of new live stock and the value of those saved from death by disease. The increased value of the farms brought about through improvements such as stumping, and the building of silos and dipping vats amount to $150,000. The value of fertilizers and manures bought or saved amounts to more than one and a half million dollars.

Then here are results that cannot be measured in dollars. Farmers *have been shown how to get increas*ed returns and by following the demonstration methods year after year will be compounding the interest on this year's investments. Boys and girls have been shown how to raise better corn and pigs and to can, or otherwise save, the surplus products of the farm gardens. Farmers are choosing better seed for planting and better breeding stock as a basis for their livestock herds. They are planting new crops and handling old ones in new and more profitable ways. And all of this was brought about by the efforts of the workers in the extension division.

The best evidence of the popularity of demonstration work in Florida is seen in the increased appropriations from local sources for its support. The federal government gives about one-half of the money that is available for the work. The rest of it comes from the state and the counties having agents. The returns go to the state generally, but to the counties with agents in particular.

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The WEEK'S DOINGS

*Let Herrick fix it.

E. Berry of Sanford was a guest at Rose Villa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ransford left Tuesday for their home in Terre Haute, Ind.

*Free for telling you what your watch needs. Scalf, the jeweler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee left Tuesday for their northern home in Franklin, Ind.

Taylor Langford was down from Jacksonville for a week end visit at his home here.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Mrs. A. J. Sullivan left Monday on the return trip to her home in Hanover, Mich.

The basket weaving class will meet at the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon.

*Dr. Farr, Osteopathic Specialist, graduate in Medicine and surgery Wash. St. Phone 107.

Mrs. J. Lee McCrory was over from DeLand for a short visit with friends here Saturday.

M. P. Lipe, representing the L. C. Smith & Bros. typewriter, was over from Sanford on a business visit Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Ott have been called to Louisville, Ky., by a message telling of the serious illness of their daughter.

*A trial will convince you. Scalf, the jeweler.

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church held an interesting meeting in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon.

*A. A. Buck, general manager for the Brevard County Telephone company, was in the city from Indianola on business Monday.

**Notice—I will positively collect for the Florida Times-Union in advance and positively stop it at expiration. LEE SCALF, Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Smith, who have been spending several weeks with Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Powers, left Tuesday for their home in Connecticut.

**Let Scalf repairs your watches.

Mrs. Joe Bennett was a week end visitor in Jacksonville.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Miss Frances Hamilton spent several days last week in Jacksonville.

Mrs. H. N. Robertson made a shopping trip to Jacksonville last Saturday.

Wayne E. Connor arrived home Saturday from a business trip to New York.

I will sell my business, stock and fixtures reasonable for cash. JOHN DEMOS. 39tf.

Gus A. Stran left Monday for New York, where he will remain through the summer.

Mrs. William Thompson and her sister, Miss Ella Hewson, were visitors in Daytona Thursday.

*Let Herrick Fix it.

Blake Parnes and Ralph Powers started Tuesday on an overland trip to their homes in Connecticut.

*Lessons given in shorthand and typewriting; for particulars call upon Miss Alice Case, Phone 45-51. 43-2

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Davis of Sullivan, Ind., arrived here last week and will remain for a time in Dohn's cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dake, who have been guests at the Alba Court, left Wednesday for their home in Elyria, Ohio.

Jos. S. Reed arrived last week from his home in Sullivan, Ind., for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Connable from the Hotel Ormond entertained a large party of friends at dinner at the Ocean House Sunday.

For Rent Until November 1, 8 room, furnished house, close in, on Live Oak street. Mrs. C. T. Swinford, "Hoosier Rest." 43-2t

The meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Baptist church was held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. O. L. Hinson at the H. A. Jernigan home on Canal street.

*All work guaranteed by Herrick.

John Mooney, who has been a patient in the railroad hospital in St. Augustine for several weeks, arrived home Friday.

Mrs. S. M. Waldrep and daughter, Miss Rosalie, spent a couple of days in Jacksonville this week, returning Wednesday.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

There was a good attendance at the supper given by the ladies of the Episcopal church in Guild hall Wednesday evening, and about $22 was realized.

The next meeting of the Ladies guild of the Grace Episcopal church will be held next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. George Smith.

Mrs. Gertrude Belote, who has been spending several days with her son in this city, returned Wednesday to her home in South Jacksonville.

Miss Inez Barry of Marrietta, O., returned to the Alba Court Thursday from St. Augustine, where she had been visiting friends for several days.

The regular meeting of the Current Events club, scheduled for last Monday afternoon, was not held on account of the illness of the chairman.

Miss Fearn Hibbard was over from DeLand to spend the week end at her home here. She was accompanied by her little niece, Elizabeth Robinson.

Mrs. James Buckhout, a guest at Alba Court, will leave Tuesday for Daytona to spend several days before going on to her home in New York City.

Miss Zule Ross, who has been a guest for the last two months at the home of her brother, S. Ross, will leave tomorrow for her home in Somerset, Ky.

Louis Wehrheim, who has been here for the last four months, left last week for his home in Sparta, Ill. Miss Anna Wehrheim will remain here for another month.

Claude McNeil, accompanied by Mr and Mrs. Gregory, left by automobile Tuesday for Tampa, where a short visit will be made, and the party will then begin the journey north to New York and Indiana.

Charles Roach arrived home this week from Jacksonville, where he was mustered out of service in the U. S. army. He has been serving in the Miami company with the Florida soldiers on the Mexican border.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Phelps of Newton Center, Mass., who have been guests at Alba Court, left Wednesday for Orlando to spend a day before starting on their journey north.

Courtney A. Savage and family of Northeast Harbor, Me., and Fred Savage and wife of Bar Harbor, Me., who have been guests at the Alba Court, left Sunday for their homes in the north.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Talcott of New York have been guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Connor. Mrs. Talcott was formerly Miss Louise Simmons and is well known here.

The entertainment given at the Trinity Methodist church last Friday evening was very interesting, Mrs. Racheal Bryan Wood giving a miscellaneous literary program of humor and pathos.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Munson of Winnipeg, Canada, who have been guests at the Rio Vista hotel for two months, left Tuesday for Ormond, where they will make a short stop before continuing on to their home in the north.

The second of the series of lectures on the Ober-Ammergau Passion play will be given in the Congregational church next Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. Robert A. George. This lecture will be illustrated.

Mrs. W. P. Moore arrived Sunday from New York City to spend several days with her mother, Mrs. A. R. Moore, and sisters, Mrs. G. W. Langford and Mrs. E. P. Mills, who have been stopping for the winter with Mrs. L. E. Cox.

A party which thoroughly enjoyed a trip to Turtle Mound Wednesday in the boat Annie W., in charge of Capt. Gilbert D. Webster, was made up of Judge and Mrs. John Hayes, Judge A. D. Thomas, J. Fred Smith and wife and daughter, C. A. Veiman, C. A. Marantette, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Thiele of Grand Rapids, Mich., who have been spending the season at Fort Lauderdale, stopped over here between trains Monday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Osmun, on their way north.

A number of the young people enjoyed a dance in Dohn's hall Wednesday night, the music being furnished by the Harvard quintette.

Mr. and Mrs. Safely arrived here this week from Winona, Minn. Mr. Safely has accepted a position as train dispatcher for the Flagler system.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hopkins, Mrs. G. H. Crane, Mrs. P. L. Gaddis and Mrs. E. A. Latham formed a party which motored to DeLand Wednesday and had lunch at the College Arms hotel.

The usual good time was had by those who attended the Saturday night dance at the Rio Vista hotel last Saturday night. These weekly hops are proving a source of much pleasure to the guests and home folks.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

The children of the Loyal Temperance Legion of the Baptist church will give a silver medal contest at the Baptist church next Tuesday evening, March 27th. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

J. E. Costner, who has been employed as a clerk in the New Smyrna pharmacy during the winter season, has accepted a position at Gastonia, N. C., and will leave for that place in a few days.

Miss Anna Way of Savannah, Ga., who has been spending some time in Miami, came up this week for a visit of two weeks with her niece, Mrs. John Coleman on Faulkner street.

**Hardy Avocado or Alligator Pears, ripening from October until May, which stand more cold than orange trees. Booklet free. JOHN B. BEACH, West Palm Beach, Fla. 46

Floyd and Don Murray came over from DeLand, where they are attending Stetson university, for the week end at home. They were accompanied by M'Ward Smith and all returned to DeLand Sunday.

The young people of the Congregational church will have a social in the church Friday evening, and all young people are invited to be present. J. N. Babcock will give to the young people his experience as a Hoosier school master.

Much interest is being shown in the revivals being conducted by Rev. Mr. Steinmeyer, the pastor-evangelist, at the Methodist church. Services are held each afternoon at 2:30 and each evening at 7:30 o'clock. Good music for these special services is furnished by a large chorus choir.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Ward Estey was in the city this week on the way from Jacksonville, where he had been mustered out of service in the United States army to his home in Kissimmee. Ward has been playing in the regimental band with the Florida soldiers on the Mexican border.

The pupils of Miss Ruth Courtney's Sunday school class will be entertained at the teacher's home tomorrow afternoon. The pupils of Mrs. John Rowe's class have been invited to join them, and a good time is anticipated. Refreshments will be served and games will be enjoyed by the little folks.

*Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.

The Ladies Aid society of the Trinity M. E. church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. D. Pritchard. There were 17 ladies present and a very pleasant afternoon was spent. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The next meeting of the society will be held at the home of Mrs. H. N. Robertson. All ladies are cordially invited.

Silver Medal Contest at Coronado

The silver medal contest held Monday evening at the church in Coronado was one of the most interest- of the series so far held. The contest was conducted by the W. C. T. U. under the direction of Mrs. Silsby, and the contestants were Mesdames Jernigan, Langford, Roach, Barraby and Dutcher. The talks given by all were very interesting and the medal was awarded to Mrs. Dutcher, who is 73 years of age.

Silver Tea a Success

The "Silver Tea" given by the ladies of the Altar society at the home of Mrs. F. D. Hamilton last Saturday afternoon, St. Patrick's day, was a success and was attended by a large number of the ladies of the society and their friends. The Hamilton home was prettily decorated for the occasion in green and white and sandwiches, tea, wafers and cake were the refreshments.

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The regular meeting of the U. D. C. will be held next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. H. Wilson on Orange street.

Commissioner of Agriculture McRae has discovered a hog in Calhoun county that weighed 1,326 pounds and produced $144 worth of lard. He claims this is the biggest hog on record. Don't know about that. We have one in DeSoto county who took this paper for two years without paying for it and when we sent him a bill for his subscription he marked the paper "refused" and poked it back into the postoffice. Can anybody beat that for a hog?—Arcadia News.

C. E. Social

The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church will have a social in the church Friday evening, March 30th. Refreshments will be served and an invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

Young Ladies Card Club

The members of the Young Ladies Card club were entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Rosalie Waldrep at the home of Miss Louise Crane and the usual good time was enjoyed by the members. A salad course and coffee were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Beckham Entertains at Tea

Mrs. Beckham of Toledo, Ohio, a guest at the Ocean House, gave a tea at that hotel to a number of her friends Monday afternoon. Among those present were Mrs. Frederick Smith of Detroit, Mrs. Judge Hayes of Sullivan, Ind., Mrs. Frank H. Cozzens of New York, Mrs. Marantette of Chesterfield, Mich., Mrs. Bouchelle and Mrs. Wilson of this city. The refreshments were delicious and the guests found Mrs. Beckham a delightful hostess.

Trinity M. E. Church

All services at Trinity last Sunday were full of interest. The choir did good work; Mrs. Moore sang, the themes of the pulpit seemed to interest the hearers. The Epworth League had a very interesting and profitable meeting but will have a better one next Sunday evening, with special music and other interesting things, not always on the program. Young people and their friends are invited to the Epworth League. A cordial invitation in all services.

LEWIS D. MOORE, Pastor.

Brevard County Men Didn't Come

R. E. Lenfest, county demonstration agent, was in the city Monday. Mr. Lenfest came over here to meet a company of Brevard county commissioners, business men and farmers, who were starting out on a trip of inspection to study cattle and hog conditions in neighboring counties. The men were expected to reach New Smyrna early in the forenoon, but did not show up, and later Mr. Lenfest learned they had changed their route and had gone across from Titusville to Sanford and down into Orange county.

Boy Scouts Have Good Time

Friday night a number of the Boy Scouts went over to the home of Scoutmaster Cary-Elwes at Coronado and remained over night. Francis Wilson and Theodore Riley went out flounding and caught five. Saturday another lot of boys went over and Saturday night the house was full of boys. The scoutmaster was laid up with a bad foot so he could not get around very well. The boys played games and signalled with their flags from the windmill tower to others on the beach ridge. Sunday other boys came to the house and altogether there were 21, the largest attendance they have yet had. The scoutmaster feels much encouraged, as the attendance has not been what it should be. The scouts should remember that it is their duty to attend meetings and go out on hikes whenever possible.

LOCAL CHURCHES WILL OBSERVE HOLY WEEK

The Congregational and two Methodist churches of this city will unite in observance of Passion, or Holy, week, beginning Monday, April 2. The program for the week will be as follows:

Monday Night

in the Congregational church; sermon by H. A. Spencer.

Tuesday Night

in the M. E. church, South; sermon by R. A. George.

Wednesday Night

in the Congregational church; sermon by L. D. Moore.

Thursday Night

in Trinity M. E. church; sermon by H. A. Spencer, with the holy communion.

Friday Night

in the M. E. church South; sermon by L. D. Moore.

There will be special music at each service. This will be a profitable week. The meetings are for all the people. Other churches are cordially invited to join in the services.

Palm Sunday

April 1 will be decision day in the Sunday schools of these churches and Easter Sunday will be reception day. Sunday school teachers and parents are asked to give attention to those days in behalf of those in whom they may be interested.

Easter Morning

at 6:30 o'clock, in Cathedral Oak Park, there will be a sunrise service of song and prayer. Preceeding this service there will be music in the streets of the city.

SECRETARY.

*Break your cold or lagrippe with a few doses of 666.

DEATH TO CUTWORMS

The ravages of cutworms can be checked easily by the application of a simple, home-made remedy to the garden, says W. L. Floyd of the University of Florida college of agriculture. This formula for making cutworm poison is the best in use, he says:

Ten pounds of bran, middlings or corn meal, one-half pound of paris green, juice and grated rind of one lemon, and one pint of syrup. Mix thoroughly, adding enough water to make the mass stick together without being sloppy.

Apply a small quantity of this mash near the base of each plant in the evening (for cutworms feed at night) or spread it broadcast through the garden or truck patch.

The Truth About America

At the Palace theater last night "Guarding Old Glory," the great patriotic feature, was shown to a crowded house of true, rich-blooded Americans, who not only cheered and clapped, but drank in the answer to the question, "Are we prepared?" with great understanding. Julien Proskauer, in the absence of the regular lecturer, delivered a most interesting lecture, which helped to explain the points of the picture. The capture of Vera Cruz is graphically shown, as are various other points in the making of our army and navy. The picture is not only timely, but is truth personified. If more such pictures could be shown the moving pictures would be more of an education to the people.

WEATHER REPORT

for the week ending March 19, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Date	High	Low	Rainfall
13	86	53	.00
14	81	54	.00
15	82	56	.00
16	78	56	.00
17	84	61	.00
18	72	58	.00
19	68	46	.00

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Loyalty

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right." —Lincoln.

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MARCH MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The regular March meeting of the Volusia board of county commissioners was held in DeLand March 13th, with all members of the board present.

Chairman Burgman announced the appointement of Commissioners C. O. Codrington, L. B. Bouchelle and D. G. McBride as the building and poor house committee for the term.

The following resolution was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes: "Resolved, That we, the board of county commissioners in and for Volusia county, Florida, do hereby designate and fix the first Thursday after the first Monday of each and every month in the year at 11 o'clock a. m., as the date and time of our regular meeting, except for the month of January, July and August, which meetings for the said months shall be held on the first Monday of said months, as provided by law, at 11 o'clock a. m. The action of this board, fixing the second Tuesday as the meeting day being hereby rescinded.

The report of the road superintendent for the month of February was read and ordered spread upon the minutes, as follows:

Hon. Board of Co Commissioners,
Gentlemen:

I beg to report to you the following work for the month of February in district No. 2:

Completion of North Boulevard from DeLand city limits to Daytona road, using wheel barrows in making fills.

Completion of grade on DeLand and Daytona road from North Boulevard to five mile camp and DeLand-Daytona road, making all fills with wheel barrows, doing this work with convicts, and without any expense of team hire.

Men in camp, 25; men released from camp, 5; men delivered to camp, 5; men escaped from camp, 1; men paid fine, 1.

HARVEY JONES,
Road Superintendent.

The following road and bridge reports were presented:

District No. 1, general repairs.

District No 2, completion of road from DeLand Landing road to Beresford farms, one-half of expense being paid by property owners, and general repairs in the district

District No. 3 reported investigation of Haw creek bridge and recommended that Volusia county pay cost of bridge to channel of creek, provided St. Johns county would build to channel from their side of creek.

District No. 4 reported repairs to Ridgewood avenue, through Kingston and repairs to DeLand-Daytona road; also repairs to road from Ormond to Mound Grove and repairs to Smith Creek bridge, and new shell placed on shoulders of Daytona-Port Orange road.

District No. 5 reported general repairs and donation of shell for repairs to Wilbur road.

On motion the road superintendent is instructed to expend not to exceed $50 in planting trees along public highway at Hawks Park, as petitioned for by freeholders.

On motion the claim of V. L. Marshall for damage to property along public road was referred to the attorneys of the board for report.

The petition of citizens for a road from New Smyrna to Creighton was referred to the road superintendent for investigation and report.

The petition from citizens of Hawks Park asking that the right of way on public road through the town be put in condition, was referred to the road engineers for investigation and report.

The following resolution was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes:

Whereas, It appears to this board that the following lands, towit:

In township 20 south of range 33 east, section 33, S½ of NE¼, N½ of NW¼ and SE¼ of NW¼; in township 21 south of range 33 east, section 3, W½, NW¼ of SE¼ and SW¼ of SE¼, and in section 4, E½ of E½, and in section 9, E½ of NE¼, and in section 10 E½ and NW¼, and in section 14 W½ of NW¼, and in section 15 NE¼, and in section 23 E½ of SW¼, and in section 26 W½, and in section 35 W½ of E½ and E½ of W½, have been sold and omittted from the tax roll for unpaid taxes since 1894, and it appearing that said land is overflowed at least nine months in the year, and is of little value, therefore, the comptroller is requested to authorize the clerk of the circuit court to accept from J. R. Hayden, the present owner of said land, the sum of $250 in full payment of all tax sales and omitted taxes now outstanding against said property.

The clerk was instructed to ask the East Coast and Coast Line railroads to notify the board on the first of each month the amount of any unpaid freight bills owing them by contractors doing work in Volusia county.

All claims against the several road contractors in the county were referred to the attorneys of the board for investigation and report.

F. C. Proudfoot was requested to withdraw his contract for the building of the DeLand Daytona road in the Halifax special road district and he was instructed not to proceed with any construction work or the preparation of any material for use on said road and to notify the board at the next meeting of his decision on the above request and instruction.

The county engineers were instructed to give no lines or grades on the DeLand-Daytona road in the Halifax district until further orders from the board

The road superintendent was given full authority to purchase two road drags for county use and to have such of the county machinery repaired as is worth repairing and dispose of the balance to the best advantage

The New Smyrna Breeze was designated as the newspaper to publish the Volusia county tax sale notice of 1916

The tax collector was instructed to get prices on a less expensive adding machine than the one submitted

The matter of tax adjustment of Mrs. F. M Bessey, George Fulze, G. W Robinson and A. S. Randall were referred to Tax Assessor Wilson for investigation and report

The bid of the Baltimore Enamel and Novelty company to furnish the county with 2,250 auto tags at 25c each was accepted, provided they would accept the order subject to any change that might be made in the law relative to auto tags by the next session of the legislature.

The petition of citizens of Seville asking for repairs to the Seville-Orange Hammock road was referred to the road superintendent for investigation. The road superintendent was also instructed to purchase chain for the Astor ferry.

The communication from George Boynton in relation to the condition of the right of way in front of his property was referred to the county engineers for investigation The semi-annual financial statement of Volusia county for the period ending Sept. 30th, 1916, was ordered published in the Daytona Journal

The attorneys for the board were instructed to notify the E. W. Bond company to put their crossings over the DeLand-Daytona road in repair.

The matter of building dipping vats for the eradication of cattle tick in Volusia county was taken up and the board assured the government agent, E. M. Neighbert, that they would cooperate with him and would recommend a suitable amount in the next county budget to carry on the work.

The report of the farm demonstrator was read and ordered filed.

The following official bonds were approved: Notary bond of Laurence Thompson, Lois A. Neel, Kate Inman, C. M. Dameron; justice of the peace bond of F. N. Purdy; deputy sheriff bond of P. S. Fagan; county surveyor bond of Alfred Howard. The following revolver bonds were approved and the clerk instructed to issue licenses therefor: M. Bunger, Henry Clifton, Grover C. Rodes and J. C. Crews.

Criminal court cost bills were examined, audited and approved for $612.99 and the clerk instructed to issue warrants covering the same.

The bond and contract of A C Ballough for building the sea wall at Holly Hill was signed.

The clerk was instructed to notify the Southern Clay Manufacturing company and the Wilson Construction company that if the demurrage bills held against them by the Atlantic Coast Line railroad were not adjusted by the next meeting of the board, April 5, 1917, the board would take action for their payment.

The matter of compensation to the sheriff for the arrest of illegal fishermen was referred to the attorneys of the board for an opinion.

A warrant was ordered drawn in favor of Bingham & Thompson for aid to Phoebe Robinson.

Dr Walter Stephens was appointed county physician in place of Dr. W. R. Stephens, deceased, for the same period and salary.

The following proposition from Ackerman & Ellis was accepted:

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners.
Gentlemen:

We hereby beg to submit proposition to deliver you shell at the following places and amounts, placed in neat piles alongside the railroad siddings as follows. Glencoe, 1,000 cubic yards; Indian Springs, 1,000 cubic yards Osteen, 500 cubic yards; Lake Helen, 500 cubic yards. The price for the above shell to be $1.05 per cubic yard.

Ackerman & Ellis also submitted the following proposition to sell the Lowd shell mound to the county as part payment on the county mound under the following conditions:

The county to take the shell mound at 25,000 cubic yards, as surveyed by C. M Rogers of Daytona. Ackerman & Ellis to deed to the county the ten acres upon which the mound is situated, and the county to deed to Ackerman & Ellis the land upon which the county mound stands. This to apply as a payment on the county shell mound to the amount of 25,000 cubic yards.

Commissioner Heymans was authorized to have the road near the Leonardy place straightened, the county to pay one-half of the expense from the road fund, and the county engineers were instructed to follow the lines designated by Mr Heymans and not to build the road through the Leonardy forty acre tract as now laid out.

The clerk was instructed to notify Hamilton Johnson to appear before the board at the next regular meeting to take up the matter of road contract.

The bills against the New Smyrna special road and bridge district were approved as follows.

General revenue fund	$ 557.55
Nat'l Bank of Commerce	25.00
J B. McCrary Co	2,237.36
Ackerman & Ellis	9,434 30
Hamilton Johnson	1,827.51
Langston & Mack	10,027.52
Board of Bond Trustees	7,63 29
Bryson & Bryson	11,027 58
Bryson & Bryson	3,690 62
Bryson & Bryson	1,094 82
Bryson & Bryson	3,803.08

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At a meeting of the Florida naval militia at Miami recently R. M. Thompson, former naval officer and president of the Naval Academy Alumni association of New York, said he had positive information that a German submarine is lurking off the coast of Florida "waiting for the overt act precipitating war with Germany to begin destruction of American commerce."

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The giant causeway now under construction across Biscayne bay between Miami and the ocean at a cost of $600,000, will require 2,868 cars of construction material and if all the material to be used in the construction were to be rolled into a bar one-quarter of an inch in diameter it would reach from Miami to New York and back again, is the estimate of the builders. The causeway will be about three miles long and will have a roadway twenty feet wide, a sidewalk five feet wide on one side and an electric railway track on the other.

GLADES CROPS HALF BILLION A YEAR

Reclaimed Lands Will Double State's Tax Roll

By CHARLES A. WALSH,

Former Secretary Democratic National Committee and now a resident of Davie, the first settlement in the Everglades.

The United States has use for this whole five million acres of Everglades land in the production of citrus fruits, sugar cane, meat and milk. The value of these lands when fully reclaimed will be greater than lands anywhere in the world, no matter how favorably to markets those other lands may be situated.

It is not too much to put a valuation of gross production of wealth per acre per year when finally developed of $100, and a valuation upon the land itself of $250 per acre. The certain production from them when the future sees them reclaimed and settled will be far above the figures given, while on a 10 per cent capitalization basis the net returns will justify and give a value to the land very far beyond the latter amount named.

Half Billion of Wealth.

But, even at the conservative figures given the five million acres of Everglades land of the state will produce a gross wealth of five hundred millions of dollars in the three great staple crops mentioned. It will justify at the least a tax valuation finally placed on this land of not less than $100 an acre, or a total of five hundred millions of dollars against which state, county and school taxes may be assessed each year.

Here will be the grandest agricultural empire in the world, pouring an unparalleled and unceasing stream of food and clothing into the lap of the world's people; supporting by its millions of taxes and business the most splendid developments of city, town and country; and with it all bringing happiness, contentment, peace and wealth to the great citizenship of this most favored section and state.

Greater Than Cotton Crop.

The three greatest staple crops of this country are corn, cotton and wheat. Texas, raising 20 per cent of the world's cotton supply, has produced in her greatest cotton crop prior to the present world war a little less than 4,600,000 bales, which at an average farm price of ten cents a pound, or fifty dollars a bale, has a gross value of but $230,000,000. Taking an average total production of 13,000,000 bales for the whole United States and at the same farm valuation per bale, the value of the whole crop is but $650,000,000, or but little more than the gross wealth to be produced from these Everglades, if farmed to the three great staples mentioned—sugar, meat and milk and citrus fruits.

One year with another, Iowa is the greatest corn state in the Union, as well as being the greatest producer of farm wealth of all the states. One year with another, her corn crop runs about 350,000,000 bushels with a farm value of $175,000,000, while all her crops bring her in a little less than five hundred millions of dollars Compare this with an Everglades production of five hundred millions of dollars,—and Iowa has about 35,000,000 acres of land, practically all of which is tillable.

The total wheat crop of the United States for 1909 was about 683,000,000 bushels, of which North Dakota the leading state, produced 117 millions. At an average farm value of $1 a bushel the whole crop of the country was worth $683,000,000, and that of the leading state was worth $117,000,000, the latter but a fifth of the possibilities of the Everglades

Half Billion in Crops.

Now, what is Florida's total annual farm production? The 13th Biennial Report of the state agricultural department shows the total value of every farm crop, including staples and field crops, vegetables and garden products, fruit, poultry, dairies, apiaries, etc., and including as well the farm value of every animal of every kind, for the year 1909-10 to have been $56,712,734; for the year 1911-12, $63,823,297, and for the year 1913-14, $83,861,135. Leaving out the value of farm animals, the poultry and poultry products, and your total wealth production was, for the last mentioned year, but $49,730,203 Less than fifty millions. While the Everglades, with two hundred thousand farmers, will give you five hundred millions.

The last report of the state comptroller, for the year ending December 31, 1915, shows over 31 million acres of land in the state; exclusive of city and town lots, the land has a value of a little less than $110,000,000 for purposes of taxation, and the total value of all real estate is a little less than $202,000,000. This same report shows the total value of all real and personal property, all railroads Pullman cars and telegraph lines to be but $292,563,254. The Everglades alone, when finally settled, will add five hundred millions to this tax roll, if assessed at a hundred dollars an acre, and they can well stand it while even at fifty dollars an acre they will add an amount greatly in excess of the entire present real estate tax roll.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that C. J. Norman, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 816, dated the 1st day of June, A. D. 1914, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Volusia County, Florida, to-wit: Lots 2 and 4 ,E of Road, Sub of Lot 5 and NW¼ of SW¼, Sec. 19, Twp. 17 S., Range 34 E.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Bradley Fertilizer Co. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 27th day of March, A. D. 1917.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1917. SAM'L D. JORDAN, Clerk Circuit Court Volusia County Florida. By CLIFFORD BOTTS, (SEAL) Deputy Clerk. (feb23-mar23)

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida at its next regular session in accordance with laws made and provided to designate, locate and perpetuate, as New Smyrna Beach that territory, "Situated on the Sea Shore, south of the Bar of Mosquito, at a place formerly cultivated by Dr. Turnbull," on the peninsula opposite New Smyrna, Fla., and embraced in sections 4, 5, 9, 55 and 16, in township 17, S. R. 34 E., Meridian of Florida. (mar2-apr27)

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EFFICIENCY IN STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN

Not many Floridians ever think of their state board of health as a completely equipped business organization, a part of whose necessary functions is to administer its financial affairs according to the most thoroughly efficient and exact methods, involving as they do, the annual expenditure of large amounts of state funds and the precise accounting for all such funds.

These essential duties are no less important than those for which the board was specifically organized—the conservation of public health and the education of the people to high standards of living and sanatation.

Perhaps even fewer people have a definite idea of this organization which must fill all the functions of a highly complicated business proposition, making it at the same time subsidary to the even more complicated department, which must be continuously on guard against the invasion from abroad or the department at home of epidemic diseases and which must teach the people under its jurisdiction to overcome inherited prejudices and ideas about dseases and instruct them in the value of up-to-date modern sanitation and moral cleanliness.

Such work is not that of untrained minds, such as may be found among the men and women who might be thoroughly efficient in a business organization, and therefore the personnel of the body of employees who are making, and have made, the state board of health one of the most successful organizations of its kind in the United States, must be selected by strenuously careful methods.

Experience and common sense are two elementally important qualifications for the work of the board. The department which administers the financing and accounting work is manned by persons who would find place only in the highest type of responsible business concerns, and the stability of their connection depends upon the same principal that would determine their employment by a business houe or corporation of such kind.

In that work where the board comes directly into contact with the people of Florida, the work of the assistant health officers, physicians and nurses, the demand is greater for educated specialists. The election of such employees might open the door for inefficiency through friendship, favoritism and political pull, if such a door had ever exsted. But in the construction of the board, that door was ever built in, and from the beginning all such influences have been scrupulously barred out.

On this subject the executive officer has written in the forthcoming annual report of the board as follows: "By making competition and ability requirements of selection and employment and divorcing from the appointment of technical and clerical forces all pressure of friendship and favoritism, the executive officer has gathered about him a working crew freed from political taint or the charge of the payment of political debts for campaign services of all kinds. Every technical assistant has had to measure up to a standard established by an examining board, of which, however, the state health officer as executive officer of the board has purposely not been a member, and every clerk has known that the stability of his position depended on the character of work and service rendered."

Through the fires of experience the mistakes of the past and of others have been avoided and there has been built up by these careful methods a health organization in Florida, whose value to the state and to the nation is recognized most fully by those highest in authority in national health affairs, and no sane business man can doubt that this efficiency would be lessened seriously by the adoption of methods less strenuous in the selection of men and women to carry on this work

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LEAGUE FORMED TO HASTEN DRAINAGE

Represents 20,000 Owners of Everglades Lands

Announcing itself as representing the interests of 20,000 citizens of Florida and other states who have bought undrained lands in the Everglades in the belief that the land was to be drained by the state, the Everglades Drainage League, with headquarters at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., is waging a campaign to have the finance-drainage taken out of politics and placed on a business basis.

The Drainage League last summer forced the drainage question as a dominant issue in the state campaign. It secured pledges from Governor Catts and a number of candidates who were later successful in the primaries, that if elected they would favor such new legislation as would provide for adequate drainage without further delay.

New Legislation Urged.

In its main essentials, legislation urged by the League is as follows:

1. That the control of the drainage lands, funds and operations shall be taken out of the hands of the present state officials and be vested in an independent Everglades Drainage Commission, to be appointed by the governor, which shall locate headquarters near the drainage district, and shall have ample authority to provide for the financing of adequate drainage work, the employment of competent engineers, and all other matters necessary to bring about speedy completion of the project.

2. That the lands given by the United States to be used exclusively for drainage purposes, and which remain undisposed of, shall be conserved, pledged and used for the redemption of drainage bonds.

Would Recover R. R. Lands.

A suit was recently filed in the United States District Court at Jacksonville, under the auspices of the League, asking that a receiver be appointed for the Internal Improvement Fund, with authority to make a complete accounting of that fund, and also with authority to issue bonds and make contracts for the completion of drainage, and to bring suit to recover for the drainage fund several million acres of swamp and overflowed lands which, it is alleged, have been illegally and improperly granted by the legislature and the Internal Improvement Trustees, in years past, to railroad and other corporations. This suit was dismissed in the District Court, upon motion of Attorney General West and E. J. L'Engle, representing the Trustees. The League has announced that an appeal will be taken to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The entire Everglades district, embracing about 4,000,000 acres, the League asserts, was given to Florida under an act of Congress passed in 1850, on condition that the lands and the proceeds from their sale were to be used exclusively, as far as necessary, for the purpose of drainage, and that only the residue of such lands and proceeds left after drainage was completed were to belong to the state.

Drainage Trust Ignored.

Despite this agreement, it is declared by the League, more than two million acres of Everglades lands has been given to railroad and other corporations for other purposes than for drainage, and within the last few years the trustees of the I. I. Fund have asserted that the remaining 1,500,000 acres of Everglades lands under their control are the property of the state, to be used for any purpose desired, without regard to the compact made under the law of 1850. Under this policy, it is charged, the trustees recommended a law which was passed by the legislature in 1913, which provides for issuance of drainage bonds secured only by the taxes on the Everglades lands. This law provides that taxes shall be paid on the lands owned by the trustees and by the state school fund, the same as on lands privately owned, but no provision has ever been made for paying the taxes on these public lands, and practically none of these taxes, which are now in arrears for more than $1,500,000, have been paid.

The League charges that the reason the trustees have not been able to sell Everglades bonds is because there is not such proper security behind these bonds as makes them a safe investment.

How State May Gain $50,000,000.

The 1,500,000 acres now held by the trustees, as well as the 150,000 acres held by the State Board of Education, it is urged, are practically valueless until they are drained and made available for settlement and cultivation. These lands are scattered all over the Everglades and cannot be drained without draining the entire Everglades. Thoroughly drained and reclaimed, it is said, these drainage funds and school lands will be worth from $50 to $100 an acre, or at least $100,000,000. By mortgaging these lands to drain the entire Everglades, and then selling the drained lands under state control, it will be possible, it is urged, to make the increased value of the public lands pay for all the drainage and leave an asset of $50,000,000 or more, which will belong to the state and can be used for educational or other public purposes.

STATE NEWS NOTES

There are 455 men prisoners and 27 women prisoners at the Florida state prison farm.

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A telephone has been installed in each of the class rooms of the Fort Myers high school.

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Sanford is shipping out celery at the rate of 100 cars a week. The freeze has proven a blessing in disguise.

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The Civic association of Tampa is staging a lawn contest, intending to give prizes for the best kept lawns in the city.

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It is rumored that the headquarters of the Charlotte & Northern railroad will be moved from Boca Grande to Arcadia.

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A party of hunters out from Fort Myers on the Fikahatchee recently brought back six deer and three turkeys as trophies.

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An effort is being made to form a state baseball league to include the following cities: Tampa, St. Petersburg, Lakeland, Orlando, Sanford and Bartow.

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In a kite-flying contest at Jacksonville recently Edlo Wright won a Y. M. C. A. blue enamel pin by playing out 1,000 feet of twine. Another contest will be held tomorrow.

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An ordinance giving the East Coast railroad a right of way over several streets in Cocoa, enabling the road to straighten its tracks through the city, was recently passed by the city council.

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The contract has been awarded for the erection of a four-story Y. M. C. A. building in Miami to cost $107,000. Work is to be begun at once, and the building is to be completed by about Nov. first.

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This Florida sand sure is getting valuable, and that in a hurry. Louis A. Pierce of Key West has disposed of a tract of Miami property to E. R. Moore of Iowa at a profit of 6,000 per cent.

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Marshal Higgins, aged eighty-one, was run down and killed by a Seaboard train a few miles north of Orlando one day last week. He did not hear the approaching train.

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Mrs. Ada Williams of Jacksonville celebrated the death of her husband by getting "beastly drunk." She was arrested and brought into court, but sentence was deferred so that she could attend the funeral of her departed spouse.

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Daytona is bidding good and strong for the 1917 convention of the Florida Sunday school association. Secretary Weidler has been in Daytona looking into the merits of the claims of the "prettiest winter resort in the world" as a convention city. More than 500 people will attend the state convention.

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While out bird hunting recently, A. C. Allemand of Plant City was accidentally killed by his own gun, the hammer of which caught on a wire fence, firing the weapon. The whole load took effect in the left temple, causing instant death.

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The generator and other material for Stuart's new electric light plant have arrived, and more is enroute. Engineer Hedley of the Southern Utilities company is on the ground and active work on both the waterworks and electric plants will begin at once.

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Prominent business men and land owners of Jacksonville will organize and incorporate the Florida State Fair and Livestock association. The capital stock will be $200,000 with a right to increase to $500,000. F. C. Groover will be president and B. R. Kessler secretary.

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The officials of Miami are going to regulate the jitneys. Among others, a new law provides a liability bond of $5,000 for each vehicle operated.

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Irwin & Leighton of Philadelphia have been awarded the contract for building the new $100,000 passenger station in Jacksonville. The new station will be built upon the site of the present one and will probably be built of Indiana limestone, and will be modeled in part after the Union station in Washington.

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In their seagoing launch off the shore of St. Augustine a few days ago Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Adams of Philadelphia, Pa., captured a ten-foot shark, a sure enough man-eater. It was caught with an ordinary fishing line, being hooked through the tail.

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HAWKS PARK

Mr. and Mrs. Murray opened up their house for a week end party.

The Thimble club met with Mrs. Forster Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Brown was down from Daytona this week to look after his bees.

Measles have kept a number of the children out of school the last two weeks.

The regular meeting of the church aid society will be held Thursday afternoon.

The ladies were very successful with their bazaar and supper, clearing about $105.

Miss Leone Lamboley was down from Holly Hill for the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. E. Heal.

Mrs. Hawkins' sister and her baby, who have been enjoying a pleasant visit here, have returned to their home in Georgia.

George Hill and his sister, Miss Mary arrived in the Park Wednesday afternoon. We are glad to have them with us again

Harry Mitchell has been shipping a lot of fruit recently and the fruit is in good condition. His grove was protected by firing.

Mrs. N. M. Hinseley and son, B. V., of Sheridan, Ind., are boarding at Mrs. Parker's while Mr. Hinseley is under treatment at the Shelter sanitorium.

Ashley Ward has returned to his home in Painsville, Ky., after having spent a pleasant winter in Florida, and having been much benefitted in health.

The Hart family, who left here a few weeks ago to tour the southern part of the state, have returned to the Park and are in the Wiggins cottage.

Don and Floyd Murray and Millard Smith came over from Stetson for the week end, coming over with Mrs. E. Pierre and Miss Jagger, who had driven over to Maitland the first of the week.

Dr. Sessions is compelled to remain in the house these days because of blood poisoning in his foot We hope he will soon be out in his grove again, where he loves to be at work.

The Crawford family are all happy over the arrival of a nine-pound boy, William Edgar Stinson Mrs Stinson and the baby are both doing well. Grandpa Crawford says the young man is already able to make known his wants and is master of the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright, son Perry, and daughter Virginia, who have spent the winter here in the Wilkinson cottage, expect to leave the first of next week on their homeward journey. They plan to take about a week to drive to their home in Hendersonville, N. C.

CORONADO

Mr. and Mrs. Parsons and little Marion left Saturday for their home in Darlington, Wisconsin.

Wilbur Myers of Springfield, O., is stopping at the Barber house for a few weeks fishing.

Mrs. Walter Cooper entertained her club at her home on Flagler avenue Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. F. S. Eblen has been called to her home in Akron, Ohio, by the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. John Vrooman and Mrs. Emma Vrooman have returned from their visit to Mt. Dora and Eustis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Straight, who have been spending the winter in Coronado, left Saturday for their home in Providence, R. I.

Miss Marie Spence entertained Misses Georgia Compton, Frances Gates, Ruth Cain, Mrs. Granville Read, Mrs. H. A. Goble and Mrs. H. U. Bonnet Monday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served by this charming hostess.

TO ADD $50,000,000 TO STATE'S RICHES

How Florida Will Gain From Everglades Drainage

By HERMAN B. WALKER.

A million people will be added to the population of the state of Florida within ten years after the completion of the reclamation of the Everglades. Delay in the work of draining this wonderful, vast, wet muckland prairie is holding back a development greater than any the state has yet known.

If all the people of Florida could know and understand the possibilities of the Everglades as those of us who live on their margin know and understand them, there would be no need to urge the importance of this work. It is no exaggeration to say that reclaimed Everglades muck is perhaps the most productive soil in Florida, or that the Everglades constitute the largest and richest body of unused agricultural lands in the United States. Although not entirely free from frost, the climate is mild living conditions when the lands are thoroughly drained will be ideal, and there is a long list of farm and garden crops that can be planted practically every month in the year.

Potato Crop, $400 an Acre.

As this is being written, potatoes are being harvested at Davie, grown on partly drained Everglades soil, that were planted just ten weeks ago, and that will yield the growers a return of probably $400 an acre at present prices. Celery now being gathered in this same district will yield even larger returns per acre.

The luxuriant growth of forage plants of almost innumerable varieties that have been tried out in the muck have demonstrated beyond question that the Everglades offers a wonderful future as a dairy and stock raising country. From 60 to 80 bushels of corn to the acre have been grown on partly reclaimed Everglades land.

Should Pay Third of State Taxes.

The only possible explanation for the delay in reclaiming these lands and making them habitable, cultivable and taxable, is that the people of the state do not fully understand the benefits that will accrue to the entire state from their development and settlement. At present these lands have only a prospective or speculative value. Here is an empire of 4,000,000 acres capable of supporting a million people, that is lying unused and useless for the most part. Fully reclaimed, these lands should have a taxable value of from $25 to $100 an acre or more. Reclaimed and settled the Everglades should pay a third or more of the taxes necessary to support the state government and state institutions. Why not drain them? Why delay the work longer?

Engineering Problems Solved.

There are no difficult problems of an engineering nature to solve in bringing about Everglades drainage. All engineers are agreed as to the general plan to be followed. With insufficient funds to prosecute the entire work vigorously and complete it wholly within a limited time, however, the state has spread its efforts out so thin that, while hundreds of miles of canals have been partly dredged, covering a territory embracing a large portion of the Everglades, practically no part of the Glades has received any material and permanent benefit from the work that has been done.

No Trouble About Financing.

Only a part of the work that has been done so far is wasted, however. The great need at present is to have some parts of the work finished, and this can be done quickly without any interference with the completion of the project as a whole. There is no good reason why at least half a million acres of Everglades lands, with proper pleading and vigorous action cannot be made ready for settlement within the next year or two. With such settlement provided for and accomplished, there will be no longer any speculation as to the value of reclamation. Let us make such a demonstration as this, and there will be no trouble about selling all the bonds necessary to finish the project, even if the ultimate amount is as great as $50,000,000, which would not be a prohibitive price for the wonderful development it would bring about. Let even a hundred thousand acres of the Glades be built up with homes and farms, and it will be easier to sell five per cent. bonds at par to finish the project than it now is to sell six per cent. bonds at 95.

Today we have 20,000 or more people, living in all parts of the United States, who bought Everglades lands several years ago, hoping and expecting to come to Florida to live, anticipating, with excellent reason, that the drainage of their lands would be quickly accomplished. Practically none of their lands are drained, and under present conditions nobody can say when they will be drained. We are asking all these people to pay taxes on their undrained lands, which are at present unused and useless. Thousands of these buyers have quit paying taxes, forfeited their lands and lost the money they invested. Others will do the same this year, and if present conditions are continued it will be only a few years before the greater part of these investors have become discouraged, their lands forfeited and their money wholly lost.

Injustice to Land Owners.

These people bought lands which they reasonably expected were to be drained by the state. The land-owners are willing to pay their share of the cost of drainage, and should pay such share, but they should not be asked or expected to pay taxes on their lands until they are drained, or at least until they are in process of being drained and the state has shown a proper disposition to carry out the trust conditions of its contract with the Federal government regarding the lands.

Under present laws, people whose lands are located ten, twenty or a hundred miles from sections which may hope to receive any early benefit from drainage works now in progress, are asked to pay taxes the same as those whose lands abut on the canals under construction. Certainly nobody will say that this is fair, and certainly Florida cannot afford to have it truthfully charged that under her laws any injustice is practiced upon people who invest their money in the state and are anxious to become citizens and taxpayers.

Sub-Districts Impracticable.

It has been suggested that the Everglades might be divided into a number of sub drainage districts, each of which would sell its own bonds and take care of its own drainage. A moment's reflection will convince anybody of the impracticability of such a plan, when it is considered that in its operation there would be endless confusion and controversy as to whether one district was taking care of more than its share of water, backing up or discharging water onto another district, or so arranging its drainage and outlets as to be consistent with the proper plans for drainage work in an adjoining district. The sub-district bonds, too, would of necessity be in the nature of second mortgage bonds, subsidiary to the main district bonds, and consequently less desirable as an investment, while the cost of planning and supervising a number of small projects would naturally be much heavier than the overhead of a single supervision for the entire area. The drainage of the Everglades is a single, indivisible project and must be regarded and treated as such, and the units which may be selected by a central management for particular development at any time must be such areas as are prescribed by natural lines of topography and water flow, rather than by arbitrarily determined lines fixed by the action of owners

New Laws Are Needed.

It has been convincingly shown by experience, I think, that the present Everglades drainage laws are not properly devised to fit the needs of the project. The success of a law, like that of a machine, depends upon the manner in which it works, and the present drainage laws do not work well. The sensible thing to do is to change the laws.

It has been demonstrated very clearly that the mail order plan of doing business will not work when applied to the biggest reclamation project in the world, as the Everglades is. It is unreasonable to expect that a governor and his cabinet, compelled to spend most of their time at the state capitol, nearly 500 miles away, and burdened with responsibility for a multiplicity of other public affairs, can possibly keep in close touch with Everglades work, or be familiar with its many peculiar problems and needs. We want a separate board or commission, with headquarters located adjacent to the work itself, to have full charge of Everglades drainage, with authority to do whatever is necessary to successfully drain the lands and make them ready for settlement.

Such a commission should have authority to hire the ablest engineers available to do the work. They should have full authority to issue bonds as needed and to sell them under such conditions that they will find a ready market at a good price—these bonds to be supported by the lands given by the United States government in trust for drainage purposes exclusively. They should have authority to assess drainage taxes on such lands as are getting benefits from the drainage operations, at such times and in such a way as will require every acre to pay its fair share of drainage costs without entailing hardship or injustice upon anybody.

Reclamation Will Benefit Entire State.

Reclamation of the Everglades means opening a new empire to settlement. It means prosperity for every city and town in the southern part of the state. It means lower taxes for all the people of all the state. It means new railroads, steamship lines, interurbans and good roads penetrating in every direction through one of the richest farming sections in the world, and binding together closely the east and west coasts in a common interest. It means the building of big, busy cities where there are now little towns, and new industries and enterprises and general prosperity for all of South Florida that will bring growth, larger population and higher values and taxables to every community which constitutes an inlet to or outlet from this rich country.

The reclamation of the Everglades is too big and important and too fraught with consequence to every part of the state for sectional or local prejudices or jealousies to be allowed to have any part in its consideration. Drain the Everglades and there will be such general prosperity result therefrom that every community will have its share, and more, and every section of the state will benefit thereby.

RETURNING SOLDIERS HAIL STATUE OF LIBERTY

Photo by American Press Association.

American Frenchmen and Canadian Frenchmen reaching these shores on La Touraine after having served in the French army They all saluted the statue of Liberty when it first came into view

Short Amendments.

The shortest amendment to the United States constitution is the eighth, containing but sixteen words, as follows. "Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted." The sixteenth or income tax amendment is set down in but thirty words.

Making Assurance Doubly Sure.

The pupils in a certain class in hygiene were told to set down on paper the reasons why in their opinion cremation was superior to burial

"Cremation is good," wrote one little boy, "because the person might only be in a swoon, and if he is buried he can not recover."—New York Times.

Gave Him a Pointer.

"I'd like to see Mr. Jones," said the lady caller.

"Mr. Jones is engaged, ma'am," replied the new office boy.

"Engaged, fiddlesticks!" exclaimed the lady. "He's married, and I'm his wife."—Indianapolis Star.

This World of Ours.

"De world was made in six days," said Uncle Eben, "but it's been takin' thousands of years to git desirable tenants for it."—Washington Star

The best preparation for the future is the present well seen to, the last duty done.—George Macdonald.

Power of Flattery.

Wife (in the cafe)—George, that brute over there has been staring at me for half an hour. Somebody ought to knock his fool head off. George (to stranger)—What do you mean, sir, by ogling my wife? Stranger (calmly)—I'll admit that I have taken more than passing notice of the lady. A more than ordinarily pretty woman always attracts my attention. Wife—Now, George, don't make a fool of yourself and start a scene in here. The gentleman evidently meant no harm.—Puck.

Letting It Go.

Hink was a shorthand reporter.

"I say, Penn," he said to his friend one day, "here's the boy from the office after that report of the lecture. Is it finished?"

"All but a short sentence toward the end," replied Penn, "and I can't quite make out what it is you have written."

"All right," answered Hink, "just insert 'Great applause' and let it go."

Result in the account of the lecture: "Gentlemen, I will detain you but a few seconds longer. (Great applause.)"—London Telegraph.

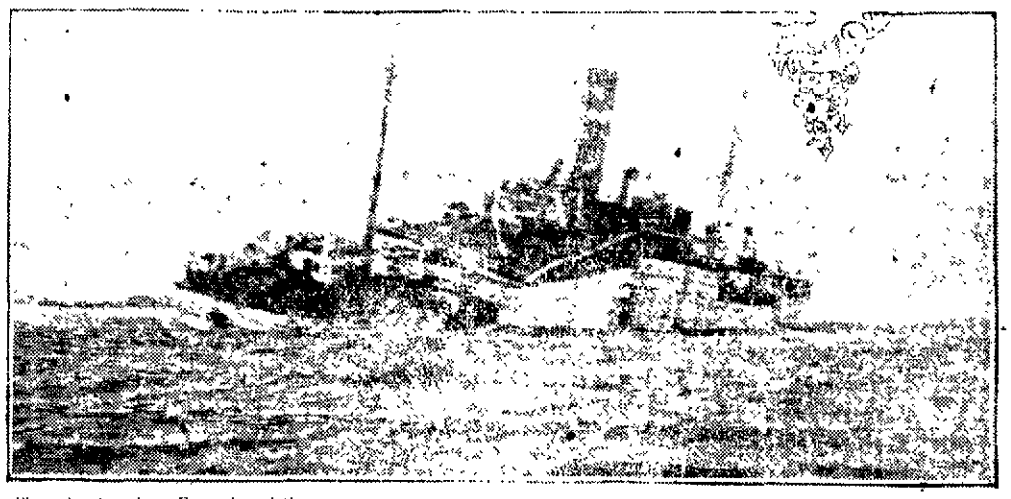
Hindsight.

Mickleby—Old chap, didn't your better judgment tell you not to make that investment? Dingle—No; my better judgment never tells me anything until after I've gone and made a fool of myself!

ILLEGAL FISHING

Sheriff Morris and his deputies have succeeded in arresting several fishermen who were violating the law by illegal fishing. The sheriff has siezed and now has in his possession, five men charged with illegal fishing, six boats, one of which is an expensive launch, and six seines. An effort will be made to confiscate these seines and boats. The sheriff reports he is informed the fishermen are working for a wholesale dealer in Sanford, who must certainly be as guilty, as accessory before and after the act, as the men who were pulling the nets. Many of Florida's multitudinous fishing laws have been passed for the benefit of corporations—to give the people something to think and quarrel about while the legislature failed to pass just regulating laws, or left unjust laws on the books. The sheriff of Volusia county reports that hundreds of people are violating the laws with regard to fishing, but that he loses money on every arrest he makes, owing to the expense of getting evidence, hiring launches, etc. Governor Catts will be informed of conditions, and an effort made to stop illegal fishing in Volusia county waters.—DeLand News.

ARMY TRANSPORT SUMNER FREAKS IN TWO



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The United States government has given up all hopes of saving the transport Sumner, which has now broken in two on the Barnegat shoals, off New Jersey She went aground Dec. 11 while carrying 299 passengers from the Panama canal to New York

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CHAPTER XXI.

"You Cannot Leave Me Now."

FOR two days and two nights the girl fought on alone against the outcry of her heart until she recognized the futility of it, and then she ordered Ragtime to be saddled. And Miriam Burrell, sighting Barbara's face as the latter wheeled toward the hills, flew from her window to scratch off a note to Garry—her third note that day, for she seemed always omitting most important things which needed saying.

"It's come," she scrawled in delighted haste. * * * When are we going to be married?"

Once before Barbara had ridden that road with him alone in her thoughts. Now she realized that she had loved him then as she must have loved him always and marveled at such blindness. Once, on that other day, she had told herself that all ignoble and unworthy comparisons of herself and him were done and gone. Now she did not need such reassurance, when her lips were tremulous.

She grew pensive at times. At times in an abandon of gayety she chattered back at a quarrelsome squirrel in the thicket. She could rest later, and if she could not go to him immediately at least every step the horse took was bringing them for a little while closer together. And her tomorrow was only one twilight and one dawn away. Her tomorrow would be his as utterly as was she herself.

Dusk came, and regretfully she told herself that she must be turning back home. Two rifle shots, sharp and startlingly close, whipped through the quiet of that lazy afternoon, but they meant nothing to her. She had reached the height of land, where he had found her the day her roan mare strayed off while she sat mooning on a log. She was holding out both arms toward the spot where the valley of Thirty Mile must lie when a team of heavy horses broke around a turn in the road, slowed to a trot at the sight of her and came to an abrupt standstill. When the girl rode nearer to them, merely surprised and curious at first, they snorted and showed the whites of their eyes and shied back nervously.

Something chill clutched at Barbara's heart while she spoke peremptorily to Ragtime who was dancing in sympathetic panic. There was nothing to tell her, but she knew that these were Big Louie's horses. And Big Louie was a dreamy incompetent. He had left them for a moment, that was all, and they had become frightened and bolted. But Big Louie never neglected his team—they were not wet—they had not been running far. And their fright became less when she dismounted and approached them, soothing them with her voice until they let her touch their sleek sides without rearing away.

Dusk had come and gone, for it was growing dark. Uncertain, more and more unnerved as she stood and gazed at the forbidding, black shadowed ridges beyond her, the girl had to fight suddenly against an impulse to turn and race back to the lower country and Morrison and home. Even then the rifle shots meant nothing to her—and pride would not let her run. She remounted and rode on a rod or two and stopped to look back at the team which was watching her. She pressed on and rounded the curve. Ragtime reared and snorted there, and she barely stifled the cry which his strange behavior brought to her lips. Because of her senseless panic she punished him the more severely and sent him on. And then she saw what the horse had already seen.

A blue shirted figure lay half in the road, half in the undergrowth that fringed it, one arm crooked under him and his face prone in the dust. A bulkier mass was stretched wholly within the trail—and she recognized him too. Big Louie's face was upturned, and the explanation of the two rifle reports and the driverless team was here, for Big Louie's hand still clutched the handle of a canvas pail. They had stopped to water the horses; they had been shot down from behind. And first of all, unable to move, while horror parched her lips, the girl remembered words which the limp one, half in the road and half in the underbrush, had spoken to her in a moment of sternness.

"He has fired upon me from cover," the man who loved her had said. "He has been taking money from a man who was bent on beating me at any price!"

"Blood sickens me!" she whimpered aloud. "Blood sickens me!" But she managed to turn him over upon his back. With brown head against his heart she listened—listened and would not believe that her tomorrow might come too late. And then she caught the slack pound of his pulse.

From there on she was less panic stricken. She gained control of faculties shocked for a time into uselessness. Method marked her acts—deliberation mechanical, but sure. She was horribly afraid of Big Louie, but she finally disentangled the handle of the pail from those loose fingers and ran to the brook which babbled near at hand. Returning, she drenched Steve's face with icy water. She lifted his head and propped it as comfortably as she might upon one thigh and opened his flannel shirt. The ball had passed through, for back and front the shirt became immediately wetter with fresh blood. Blood sickened her, but she whipped off the coat of her boyish riding habit and wrenched the sleeves from her linen blouse. They were desperately scant, yet they provided pads with which to check that dreadful oozing. And when they were in place she turned again to bathing his forehead.

A folded sheet of paper came to view when she tried once to ease his heavy body from the position which was numbing her leg, and she seized upon it fiercely. It was only a brief line, bidding him come to her, but it bore her name. With instant, bodiless clarity which had marked all her mental processes so far, its purport was hers. She had not written—the hand that had traced her signature had been unstrung for once. She understood, though such knowledge seemed of little moment now.

She kept the pads cold and wet. She went for fresh water and stumbled and fell more than once because of the treacherous footing in the deepening shadows. But she was no longer afraid of the dark. She had grown to fear Big Louie less, even though there was no help for Big Louie any more. It was the first time that Barbara had looked upon the face of a man who had died in violence. Big Louie's face was growing indistinct now, but she knew that he was smiling—knew that his eyes were dreamy and mild. Death, like life, had been a quite incomprehensible puzzle to that slow witted one who had no name. But he had smiled seldom in life. In death his smile was almost childish, almost sweet and questioning beyond all else.

Alone with him who still lived, the pallid girl sat and waited and wondered how long—or how soon—it would be. When she bade him wait until she could bring the team he nodded his comprehension. He was watching for her return. And he came to his feet with a readiness that made her heart leap with hope. But he fell twice before she lifted him, half with her hands, half with her voice, to the seat.

She crawled in beside him, and the next moment she had to struggle madly to prevent his returning to Big Louie.

"He will wait quiet until we come for him," she protested. "There isn't room for Big Louie—and he won't mind"—

Her logic made an impression upon him, for he smiled. There was no sequence in his acquiescence, however.

"Big Louie never could find his way alone," he mused, "and that is strange, too, for he was born in these hills. He was always getting lost"— And with that he must not desert Louie! She had even more trouble with him this time. "He will lose his head," he expostulated mildly—his old, unfailing attitude of gentleness toward her. "He will lose his head and waste his strength in running from things which do not exist."

"Big Louie will find his way this time." She was whimpering again in her helplessness. "He is—already home."

There she learned that her voice could control him when her arms availed not at all against even his dead weight. And so she talked as steadily as she was able while she drove. Once he lurched against her. When he pulled himself together he was so sanely apologetic of a sudden that she searched his face with hungry eyes. But he was talking now to himself.

"I must not touch her!" he stated firmly. And then, drearily: "I am sick. I have never been so sick—before."

With that he subsided, but his silence was far more dreadful than his wanderings had been, and as fast as she dared she pushed the heavy team on, with Ragtime following behind like a dog. He slipped back against her almost immediately, and this time he had not the strength with which to apologize nor lift himself erect. With his head heavy in the hollow of her arm, they came at length to the open pasture hills. They topped the rise and faced the loops on loops of highway that ran down to Morrison at the river edge. And so she brought him home. At the sight of his "city" she sobbed aloud, but he, sunken and slack, was conscious neither of distance covered nor change of country. He climbed down from the seat, however, in response to her urgings when the team halted before Caleb Hunter's white columned house. He turned and started stubbornly back the way they had come.

She ran after him and clung to his arm.

"You promised that you would come back to me," she cried up at him. "Oh, you cannot leave me now!"

Alone With Him Who Still Lived, the Pallid Girl Sat and Waited.

Faint hailed him momentarily.

"I must go back to my bridge," he explained, plainly nonplused. "But then I'll surely come back to you."

She pleaded with him—raged at him.

"I must go back to my bridge," he reiterated, gruffly now.

Her arms went around him in desperation, and then, with one swing, he had swept her yards away, reeling before his blazing wrath.

"Take your fingers from my eyes, Harrigan," he gasped in sudden agony. "I am going to kill you now, and she is looking on!"

The girl was afraid of him. She dared not try to hold him. She screamed wildly for help and screamed again. And he had gone on and wavered and crashed over upon his face when Caleb Hunter and her father came running heavily across the lawn in answer to her shrieks.

Between them they lifted him and carried him into the house.

(To be continued.)

SHE JUST GETS IT.

When a Woman Makes Up Her Mind That She Wants a Thing.

The main difference between men and women is nowhere so marked as it is in the distinction between character and ability.

A man's ability is entirely separat from his character. A man may have genius as I no character at all. H may have small abilities and fur character. In a man the two things appear to be entirely independent of on another.

But a woman's character is determined by her ability and her ability determined by her character. In reality, therefore, women are far more simple than men, although they do not appear to be so. Women are more complicated only until they know. They offer more surface and variety. But closer observation and association among them tend to make them more alike.

Men, on the other hand, grow more complicated as you come to know them better. This is because their abilities and characters long unrelated and the proportionate measure of each subject to variations, new combinations are constantly being presented. The various things which go to make up the active power of a woman, on the other hand, are more closely related. Women, therefore, concentrate more than men, although they do not seem to do so, the process being unconscious.

That explains why, if a woman wants a thing and a man doesn't want her to have it, she always gets it. When a man wants a thing he plans to get it just as much as he can through the orderly processes of his mind and will. When a woman wants a thing she makes no plan at all—but she gets it much more often than the man because everything in her whole makeup—conscious and unconscious—is working for it.

If you want to see conservation of energy and the perfection of efficiency watch the working of that perfectly co-ordinated machine a woman—getting a thing from a man that she wants. A Corliss engine, in comparison, is a soap box on wheels.—T. L. M. in Life.

LINCOLN FORGAVE HIM.

One Man Who Got a Pardon Without Even Asking For It.

Among the innumerable nuisances and "cranks" who called on Lincoln at the White House were many who sought to win favor by showing that they had been the first to suggest his nomination as president. One of these men, says Francis F. Browne in "The Everyday Life of Abraham Lincoln," was the editor of a weekly paper published in a little village in Missouri. He told the president that he was the man who first suggested Lincoln's name for the presidency and, pulling from his pocket an old, worn, defaced copy of his paper, exhibited to the president an item on the subject.

"Do you really think," said Lincoln, "that that was the cause of my nomination?"

"Certainly," said the editor. "The suggestion was so opportune that it was at once taken up by other papers, and you were nominated and elected."

"Ah, well," said Lincoln with a sigh, "I am glad to see you and to know that, but you will have to excuse me. I am just going to the war department to see Mr. Stanton."

"Well," said the editor, "I will walk over with you."

The president, with that good nature so characteristic of him, took up his hat and said, "Come along!"

When they reached the door of the secretary's office Mr. Lincoln turned to his companion and said, "I shall have to see Mr. Stanton alone, and you must excuse me." And then, taking him by the hand, he continued: "Goodby. I hope you will feel perfectly easy about having nominated me; don't be troubled about it; I forgive you."

Had to Do It.

"The defendant admits," said the traffic squad cop, "that he went around the corner on two wheels."

"Fifty dollars' fine or thirty days," said the judge.

"But does your honor know," interposed the defendant's counsel, "that the defendant was riding a bicycle?"—Buffalo Express.

The Stars.

If the stars should appear only one night in a thousand years, how men would believe and adore and preserve for many generations the remembrance of the city of God which had been shown! But every night come out these envoys of beauty and light the universe with their admonishing smile.—Emerson.

Perfume Has Weight.

Charles Bazzoni, a French chemist, has demonstrated that a grain of musk loses weight until it ceases to give off its odor, after which its weight remains the same. This proves that perfume is caused by volatile particles given off by the odoriferous body.—New York World.

Just His Sort.

"Hilthers has a mean disposition."

"He certainly has. Why, that man would like nothing better than to be a big, strapping six footer, with the shoulders of a prizefighter, and go to some health resort and strut around among the invalids."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Touching.

Jennie—Everything he touches seems to turn to gold. Jim—Yes; he touched me today for a sovereign.—London Opinion.

They Sink Backward.

Aquatic animals, as a rule, dive into the water head first and make more or less splashing. But the hippo sinks backward and goes down so quietly that if a hunter were standing near the edge of an African pool the big river horse would disappear without attracting attention. They keep up the custom in captivity, where there is no necessity of guarding against enemies. As they go down they throw up their noses and fill their lungs.

Peanuts in India.

The Indian peanut originally was grown as an edible nut, but the great importance of the crop in south India now is due entirely to the growth of the seed crushing industry both locally and abroad, and all efforts to improve the stock are with the view of increasing its oil yielding property.—Argonaut.

Navigating by Sound.

Steamboat captains use microphones installed in sounding leads to determine the character of river beds. The sound of the leads dragging on the bottom is transmitted by wire to regular telephone receivers.—New York Tribune.

And Got Called Too.

"Pa, who was the first inventor?"

"Adam, my son."

"What did he invent?"

"The poor excuse."—Exchange.

Needed It.

As soon as Adam awoke and saw Eve he coined the word "trouble."—Chicago Herald.

It is usually not so much the greatness of our trouble as the littleness of our spirit that makes us complain.

Charges are being made that the contractors on Polk county's million and a half dollars good road system are evading the contract by using inferior clay on the roads.

The season for calling cards has arrived. Leave your order with the News for engraved or printed calling cards of all kinds.

LOW TIDES ON THE BEACH

Afternoon and forenoon tides come at approximately the same hour and minute.

Day	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
1	6.37	7.35	9.06	7.34	8.51
2	6.59	8.25	10.01	8.33	9.43
3	8.03	9.37	10.58	9.31	10.30
4	9.05	10.30	11.47	10.24	11.17
5	10.03	11.25	12.31	11.14	11.57
6	10.58	12.10	1.07	11.58	12.37
7	11.18	12.56	1.46	12.38	1.12
8	12.31	1.37	2.20	1.14	1.49
9	1.17	2.14	2.50	1.47	2.24
10	1.56	2.46	3.23	2.20	2.55
11	2.35	3.21	3.57	2.51	3.43
12	3.12	3.54	4.34	3.25	4.34
13	3.49	4.33	5.20	4.04	5.37
14	4.29	5.12	6.16	4.51	6.39
15	5.12	6.02	7.17	5.50	7.41
16	5.59	6.47	8.22	6.55	8.42
17	6.25	7.48	9.27	8.00	9.40
18	7.29	8.50	10.30	9.05	10.32
19	8.22	9.51	11.28	10.06	11.25
20	9.19	10.50	12.22	11.01	12.17
21	10.17	11.19	1.16	11.56	1.05
22	11.11	12.11	1.54	12.46	1.46
23	12.09	1.23	2.42	1.28	2.28
24	1.01	2.21	3.24	2.16	3.11
25	1.52	3.07	4.13	2.59	3.58
26	2.39	3.44	4.58	3.42	4.45
27	3.28	4.40	5.51	4.28	5.28
28	4.19	5.31	6.31	5.15	6.31
29	5.09	6.09		6.14	7.15
30	6.07	7.09		6.59	8.06
31	6.37	8.08		7.55	

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A MENTAL MYSTERY

By ALAN HINSDALE

We have become used to an electric station sending forth its power across a continent or an ocean without any other medium than the atmosphere, but few of us are prepared to admit that one human brain is capable of affecting another human brain without any other medium than that of the wireless telegraph.

Nevertheless, there are instances of such communication.

I believe that there is a mental force not yet explained scientifically that carries these messages, and I am going to give the reason why I have arrived at this conclusion.

I am an artist. From a child I have been absorbed in the beauties of nature and their transmission to another form. As a boy I could make these transformations so successfully that my pictures attracted the attention of my friends. Nothing would do but that I must be educated for an artist.

But there was no means for the purpose. A younger sister of mine had been left a small legacy by her grandmother. My sister—Eleanor was her name—insisted on devoting this money to my education. I declined to accept it at first, but she insisted that I would be a successful artist, my pictures would sell at good prices, and I could repay her. Thus encouraged, I consented and entered an art school.

Unfortunately my education took from me the ability I had shown in freehand drawing. The technique required for work that would pass the critics was obnoxious to me. Nevertheless, I persevered and mastered it. But I never regained the ability I had possessed to hit off something that indicated genius.

I spent several years after being graduated at the art school painting pictures, which were no better than hundreds of other artists could paint. I regretted that I had accepted my sister's loan, for I was scarcely able to make enough money to keep body and soul together, to say nothing of paying what I had borrowed.

One winter I broke down in health and in the spring was told I must have change of scene and air to build up my strength. In my weakened condition my debt to my sister got on my mind, and I could not get it off. Eleanor begged me to stop worrying about it, but without success. I was sent off to the seashore and lodged in a fisherman's cottage.

One morning I was sitting on the porch of the cottage looking out on the ocean. The sun was glinting the blue waves which were rolling in and breaking on the beach. Some fishermen were getting out their boat, gulls were flying hither and thither overhead, one occasionally darting down to pounce upon a fish. I was seized with a desire—natural, to an artist—to portray this scene.

I had not been permitted to bring my artist's tools with me, so I could not do as I wished. As I sat in my comfortable wicker chair, fanned by a balmy sea breeze, I began to work over an imaginary canvas, laying down on it the view before me. The picture grew in my mind as plainly as if I were really putting it on canvas. I worked without effort—or at least seemed to do so—and was conscious of transferring the scene before me exactly as it was without the loss of any of its subtle beauties.

Nevertheless there must have been a severe mental effort, for as soon as I had finished my imaginary or mental work I lost consciousness and knew nothing till late in the afternoon, when I found myself in bed.

It was some time before I gained sufficient strength to go home. When I returned my sister told me that there was no further necessity for me to worry about my debt to her, for it had been paid. I asked her who had paid it, and she said that I had paid it myself. Further than that she would give me no information until I had fully recovered.

One day after I had got stronger I went, unbeknown to any one, to a room at home that I had used for a studio. There was a desk in it, and, going to this desk without any definite object, I noticed a pigeonhole that had been empty was now full of papers. I took them out and found they were letters that had accumulated during my illness. I opened one and read it. It was from a dealer in pictures asking me if I had any of my work for sale. He had a constant demand for it. Astonished, I opened another and another. They were all requests for my pictures.

While I was thus engaged my sister came in. She seemed much put out that I had come upon the letters. But the explanation must now come out, and she gave it to me.

One morning while I was at the seashore she had come into my studio and something, she knew not what, had prompted her to sit down before my easel, take my implements and begin to sketch. She had no ability whatever as an artist and was astonished to see a marine view grow on the canvas. Nevertheless, when she had finished she had no idea that she had produced a marvelous picture.

Her production was admired, and, attaching my name to it, she took it to a dealer, who sold it for $6,000. I went to see the painting, and what was my amazement to see that it was the scene I had mentally painted while at the fisherman's cottage. I had painted it with the freehand excellence of my youth, and yet it was a finished picture.

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SCHOOL NOTES

J. LINDSLEY ROWE

Principal G. W. Marks spent the week end with relatives in Daytona.

Preparation for the presentation of the high school play is progressing nicely.

There was no meeting of the faculty this week and the regular meeting will be held Monday after school.

Kenneth Disbennett received a sprained arm and a number of bruises and scratches in a fall from a holly tree in the rear of the schoolhouse.

The play which will be given at the commencement exercises of the eighth grade has been selected as "The Stars and Stripes Jubilee." The cast of characters has not yet been selected.

The enrollment in the fifth grade was decreased this week by the removing of Mary Sallas to Mayport and Geneva McLain to New York; and in the fourth grade by the removing of Ingred Thompson to Mayport.

At the regular meeting of the High School Literary society Friday afternoon an outing to the beach was proposed and the suggestion was favorably received by the members. Committees were appointed to look after transportation, finance, date and the edibles. The committees have reported that the picnic will be held this afternoon, busses leaving during the afternoon.

W. S. Cawthon, state high school inspector, visited the school Friday, both morning and afternoon. At chapel Mr. Cawthon gave an interesting talk to the pupils along the line of school work and during the morning visited the various grades. In the afternoon the inspector was present at the regular meeting of the High School Literary society. The inspector assured the pupils that he would do all in his power to put the New Smyrna school on the accredited list. The pupils and faculty were all much pleased with the inspector's visit here and hope he will find it possible to visit the school again soon.

Trials during the last week have demonstrated that among the boys of the school there are some good athletes. All they need is consistent training and good backing. There appears to be plenty of material for the making up of a good track team, and when the material and apparatus ordered arrives the training will begin in more earnest. Any one who doubts the statements of the writer about the prospects for a good track team to represent the New Smyrna school, let him go to the school at noon or recess and watch the boys in practice. Who can tell but what the names of "Brud" Robertson, "Buz" Langford, "Fran" Wilson, "Pecley" Pitzer, "Shike" Woodward, "Big 6" Bowman and "Dutch" Ferreira may go down in the annals of history of the track meets in Florida?

The next meeting of the High School Literary society will be held next week Friday afternoon. Visitors are cordially invited to attend the meting and listen to the following interesting program, which has been prepared by the committee:

Roll Call—Answered by quotations from Kipling.

Song—Selected.

Essay on Kipling—Maggie Smith.

Piano Duet—Ruth Jones and Julia Dilzer.

Reading—S. A. Merchant.

School Paper—Donald Schloot, editor-in-chief; Joe Simmons, Francis Wilson and Lee Pitzer, assistants.

Recitation—Susie Burnette.

Reading—Miss Wallace.

Oration—William Bowman.

Song—Selected.

Examinations this Week

The examinations for the sixth month of school are being held this week in the high school and grammar school. There are only two more months of school, the closing day being the 19th of May.

Junior Audubon Society

The Junior Audubon society will entertain at the school Friday afternoon. A good program has been arranged and a special invitation is extended to the parents to attend. Pins and badges have been ordered for the members of the society.

Eighth Grade Garden

The garden planted and worked by the pupils of the eighth grade is showing fine progress and the pupils are very proud of the showing. Nearly all of the plants are through the ground and are growing nicely. Some trouble is being experienced in keeping stray chickens off the garden.

Ministers Visit School

Rev. H. A. Spencer and Rev. F. E. Steinmeyer were visitors at chapel Monday morning, Rev. Mr. Steinmeyer taking charge of the exercises. His talk to the scholars was along the line of better and more efficient school work and was enjoyed by all the pupils. The ministers of the city, as well as all others, will always find a hearty welcome from the scholars and faculty.

Next Meeting Riley Society

The next meeting of the Riley society of the eighth grade will be held Friday afternoon, March 30th. An interesting program has been prepared and visitors are cordially invited to attend the meting. One of the interesting features of this meeting will be a debate, as follows: "Resolved, That a Horse Is More Useful than an Automobile." The affirmative side of the debate will be taken by Theodore Riley and Lucy King, and the negative side by Louis Howell and Lavinia Riley.

Riley Society Meets

The Riley society of the eighth grade met Friday afternoon, called to order by the president, Lester Robertson, with nearly all of the members present. The following interesting program was given:

Roll Call.

Reading of the minutes by the secretary, Edith Newell.

Reading, "Death of Nathan Hale," Lucy King.

Reading, "The Boy Washington," John Walker.

Reading, "Union Means Independence and Liberty," Edith Newell.

Reading, "Liberty or Death," Lester Robertson.

School Paper, Louis Bouchelle.

Debate, "Resolved, That Washington Was a Greater President than Lincoln." Affirmative, Marshall Jones and Nellie Dutton; negative, Irvin Disbennett and Frances Swoope.

The debate was a spirited one and was decided in favor of the affirmative.

High School Literary Society

One of the most interesting meetings of the High School Lietary society held this year was the one held Friday afternoon. Nearly all of the members of the society and faculty were present, as was also State Inspector Cawthon. The pragram rendered was as follows:

Roll Call—Answered by miscellaneous quotations.

School Paper—Maude Roach, editor-in-chief; Howard Willis, Ruth Courtney and Margaret Knapp, assistants.

Piano Solo—Whitney Hibbard.

Reading—Miss Dortch.

Song—Selected.

Debate—"Resolved, That the U. S. Should Interfere with the Present Submarine Warfare." Affirmative, Joe Simmons and Alma Disbennett; negative, Lee Pitzer and Gwendolyn Roach.

The debate was an interesting one, with good arguments presented in convincing way by both sides. The judges awarded the decision to the affirmative side.

Parent-Teacher Club Officers

At the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher club held last Friday afternoon, the following officers were chosen to serve the club during the coming year:

President—Mrs. M. E. Langford.

Vice President—Mrs. H. A. Jernigan.

Recording Secretary—Miss Annie Pattillo.

Corresponding Secretary — Miss Rosalie Dortch.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. L. McAuley.

The officers who have served the club during the last year are: President, Mrs. G. C. Beck; vice president, Mrs. H. A. Jernigan; rercoding secretary, Mrs. R. W. Jones; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John Rowe; treasurer, Mrs. B. H. Wilson.

Several matters of importance were discussed, following the election of officers, and an interesting program was planned for the next meeting of the club.

A committee consisting of Mesdames Riley and Branning and Miss Pattillo was appointed to confer with the school board on the matter of having an extra pair of steps leading to the auditorium being placed in the new school bufilding.

Antonio Bruno, driver of a street sweeper in Tampa, was thrown to the curb and killed when an automobile driven by R. B. Diaz, assistant cashier of the Bank of West Tampa, struck the sweeper. Diaz was arrested and released under $5,000 bond.

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SHOULD MAKE CHANGE

With both New Smyrna newspapers supporting the very worthy project of securing a better form of civic government for New Smyrna, there would seem to be every reason why success should attend the effort. A charter board election has been called for April 17th, and it is more than likely the board will take the necessary steps for the introduction of the commission-manager form of government, somewhat after the plan as now in existence in St. Augustine. It can be said in all sincerity that if the people of New Smyrna take this progressive step they will never regret their action St. Augustine Record.

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ALBA COURT GUESTS

The following are recent arrivals at Alba Court inn: Mr. and Mrs J Hurlson, Beaver, Pa., S. E Hood, J. L. Morgan, New York City; Mrs. F. A. Sanborn, Winchester, Mass; Mrs. W. H. Hawks, Plainfield, N. J; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Whitney, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. W. Beattie, Cohoes, N. Y.; J. T. Arnold and wife and J L Arnold, Bradford, O.

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The following guests have registered during the last week at the Ocean House:

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Miss Alma Reice, who died at Homestead February 9th, left to the Presbyterian board of missions about $150,000. She completely disinherited her nephew, E. A. Hudson, who resided in New Mexico Hudson came all the way to Florida to attend the funeral, but when he learned that he had been "left out in the cold" by the will, left for home before the funeral took place

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A cattle survey of Orange county was begun recently by Dr E. O. G. Ohmstead, veterinary inspector from the United States bureau of animal industry, for the purpose of locating sites for dipping vats, as the preliminary step toward systematic tick eradication work in that county.

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Lost on the Mountain Side

By ETHEL HOLMES

"Anything for me today, Sam?" asked a girl of a rural postman trudging along a road in Tennessee.

"Yes; I reckon I got one for you, Susie," said the man, looking over a bundle of letters he carried in his hand. Not finding it, he dived down into his bag and pulled out its contents, which he examined carefully.

"Well, now, that knocks me out," he said, with troubled and puzzled expression on his face. "When I sorted the letters for my route at the postoffice I sure saw one for you."

"And it's gone?" cried the girl in a frightened tone.

"Wait till I look 'em over again."

He examined every letter again and with the same result as before. He scratched his head in thought.

"I stopped at the tavern for something to warm me and threw my bag down on a chair."

"Oh, Sam! Was there any one in the room with you?"

"Let me see. There was a lean, hungry looking man in spectacles"—

"And a red beard?"

"Pears to me he had a red beard."

The girl turned and ran away from the postman, who followed her with his eyes till she was out of sight.

Susie Barker, the girl in question, ran till she came to the tavern. There she stopped and asked the landlord which way the man with a red beard had gone. He had departed immediately after the postman had gone in the direction of the Cumberland plateau, the base of which was but a mile distant. Susie set out at a run, but she could not keep such a pace and soon settled into a hurried walk. A short distance from the foothills she saw the man she was after ascending the hill. She knew the trails leading up to the plateau and struck into one that was shorter than that the man was taking. She had not gone far before the two paths crossed. Sitting down on a stone, she waited for him to come to her.

"Howdy," she said to the stranger when he came up.

"Howdy," replied the man, scrutinizing the girl. "Y're not lost, are y'?"

"Well, I dunno. I come up hyer to find a gal I know, and I thort she lived purty nigh this place, but I don't find her somehow. I ain't used to these mountings. I never come up this way."

She looked exhausted and troubled. She was very plainly dressed, but was rather comely for a rough country girl.

"Is there anything I can do for you?" he asked.

"Nothin', unless you can put me on the track to find my friend I'm lookin' for. But mebbe you're a stranger in these parts yerself."

The man looked uneasy. He had good reason to shake the girl, but did not exactly know how to go about it.

"You're right there. I don't see how I can help you, since I'm not familiar with the country about here."

The girl looked about her with troubled glances. The man started to go on.

"Yer not goin' to leave a pore gal out lyer on this lonely hillside, air y'?" she said, looking at him reproachfully.

"I don't see how I can help it," said the man. "I don't know where you want to go, and I've got to get on myself."

"D' y' mind my goin' on with y'?" she asked timidly.

"Well, I don't see how I can do that," was the reply, "seem that I'll have to walk a great deal faster than you can."

"Try me."

The man looked perplexed. He couldn't very well leave a girl who was lost on the mountain side, and in the business in which he was engaged she would be an obstacle to him. Indeed, he could not very well accomplish it without getting rid of her.

"I haven't time to bother with you," he said crabbedly. "All you got to do is to go down the mountain and you'll find plenty of persons to tell you how to get home."

With that he started on, but, hearing a sob, turned and saw the girl with her hands to her face, shaking convulsively.

There is no weapon so powerful as a woman's tears. The man turned and went back to the girl. He did not get away from her for an hour. First he spent a good deal of time soothing her. Then she told him that she had sprained her ankle and could not walk. Finally footsteps were heard coming from above, and a young man appeared on the trail. He started on seeing the girl and the man.

"I reckon," said the girl to the man with the red beard, "that this feller will take me down. Much obleeged to you all the same."

The man addressed looked the other over and without a word started up the trail. The two watched him till he was out of sight, then the girl threw her arm around the newcomer.

"He's got the letter you wrote me. I reckoned it had the way to find you laid down purty clear, hadn't it?"

"Yes, it had."

"He tuk it from the postman. I followed him and have been delayin' him byar, hopin' to find some way to warn you."

"Well, he'll get the still, but he won't get me."

Clasped in each other's arms, they rejoiced that the delay she had caused had saved him from arrest and perhaps a term of imprisonment.

"Better give up makin' whisky, Ben," she said.

"I'll do it for your sake."

THE PRESIDENT'S FLAG.

It Now Indicates When Mr. Wilson Is at the White House.

For the last quarter of a century at least the American flag has been raised above the White House when the president was there, and if the president went out for three or four hours the flag was pulled down, so that it would look as though the White House was only protected by the flag when the president was in residence.

The Woman's Relief Corps and the Grand Army of the Republic have protested against this for many years, but it seemed without making any impression. President Wilson, however, decided that the flag of the United States should fly over the White House from sunrise to sunset every day in the year. It seems to be necessary, however, that there be some emblem to indicate that the president is in the city.

President Wilson solved this problem by deciding that the president's flag should be raised over the White House whenever he was in residence and taken down whenever he was outside of the White House grounds.

The flag of the president of the United States is the president's naval flag, but it is little known to the public. As it flies above the White House, it represents the great seal of the United States—namely, an eagle displayed in proper colors, with the olive branch in one talon, the arrows in the other, and above its head a glory in which appear thirteen stars. This is displayed on a ground of red, the flag itself being blue. The seal is inclosed in one large five pointed white star, encircled by a wreath of forty eight stars representing the states in the Union. It floats over the porte-cochere of the White House, and is in a straight line with the staff of the United States flag, which flies from the peak of the White House roof.—Washington National Tribune.

FLASH AND ROAR OF GUNS.

No Device to Muffle Them Has Proved a Practical Success.

Both the French and the German governments have been trying for years to discover how to make a gun that shall be not merely noiseless, but shall emit no flash. For, as Nicolas Flamel says in La Nature, after dark two observers by watching the time can with accurate chronometers having luminous dials observe exactly the position of an enemy battery, or three of servers, regardless of time, can do the same by grouping their observations. And this merely by the flash of the guns.

German inventors succeeded by adding a minute quantity of alkaline salts to their powder in diminishing the flash, but they found that in proportion as they suppressed the flash they increased the smoke. Other substances added to the powder for this purpose have been vaseline, alkaline soaps, oxalates and resinates of soda, barium and aluminum. None was successful.

The French tackled the problem as a mechanical rather than a chemical one. A gun is really only an explosion motor, and it seemed that there ought to be a way of muffling its sounds and its flash as those of other such motors are muffled. It was not until 1909, when Maxim invented his silencer, that the problem seemed on the way to solution. Many other silencers, most of which quench much of the light as well as the sound have been invented since then but none is a practical success in warfare, either from the point of view of sound or of light.

Figure Skating.

To learn figure skating one must devote himself to figure skating. There is a special figure skate, curved on the bottom so as to make curves and circles entirely possible. It is round toed, and on this forward curl are deep corrugations for toe spins.

"One of the principal features of figure skating," said an expert, "is the curve. To be able to control the circles means that one has gained the power to maintain the body in graceful attitudes. Every one should skate large figures first."

Aeroplane Bombs.

One of the officers of the Mexican National Aviation corps, which is in the charge of Colonel Alberto Salinas, has invented an apparatus for the discharge of bombs from an aeroplane by which three can be set loose at once in divergent directions, thereby greatly increasing the efficacy of this method of warfare.

Don't Believe It.

"Talk about fishing," said Harvey Titus, who was just getting under way. "What would you do if you found on your hook a 750 pound horse mackerel?"

"Do?" said the listener. "I'd get up, take a drink of water and lie on my right side for awhile."—New York Telegraph.

He Would, Indeed.

If the old fashioned man walked into a new fashioned grocery store and helped himself to a large juicy apple in the old fashioned way the store detective would have him behind the bars before he had reached the core.—Grand Rapids Press.

Human Nature Text.

Mighty few folks kin keep their place an' stand ter their raisin' with a new suit of clothes and a diamond pin. They just can't keep from thinkin' that this old world is only turnin' round to look at 'em.—Atlanta Constitution.

Able Distributors.

Kathryn—Of course this story about Kate is just between us two. Kitye—Sure! And between us two it ought to get a pretty wide circulation.—Puck

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WOMAN'S CLUB

Annual Election of Officers

The annual election of officers for the Woman's club for the coming year will take place at the regular meeting next Monday, March 26th. There will be no program, but all members are expected to be present, as much business must be transacted at this meeting.

Called Meeting of Woman's Club

All members of the Woman's club are especially requested to be at the club room tomorrow, Saturday, March 24th, at 3 o'clock, to meet Mrs. Edgar Lewis, vice president of the fifth section. A social hour will follow Mrs. Lewis' talk. Let everyone be present. MRS J F VAN DEUSEN, President.

Beach Party

A beach party which gave a pleasant time to a large number of people was held yesterday afternoon, the gathering being in the nature of a farewell, as several of those present will be leaving soon for their homes in the north. Several states were represented, Michigan, Minnesota, Alabama, Connecticut, Kentucky, Oklahoma and New York. A delicious luncheon was served at Daugherty's hotel, after which the time was spent at cards, dancing and bathing. Those in the party were Judge and Mrs. F J. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Osman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sately, Mr and Mrs Batterton and daughter Pauline, Mrs Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. C F. Hamlin and little son Charles, Mrs. Langford and daughters Marjorie and Winifred, Mrs Allen, Mr Bruce, Grace and Laura Bruce, Mr Harry Battels and Mr. and Mrs. G Fullerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Entertain

Mr. and Mrs E. E. Jackson very pleasantly entertained a number of their friends Monday evening at their home on Magnolia street. Cards, dancing and selections on the Edison provided the amusements. A dutch lunch consisted of potato salad, mayonnaise, ovlies, sweet gherkins, thousand island sandwiches, swiss cheese pimento sandwiches, roquefort cheese and wine cakes. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson on this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. A. Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fullerton, Misses Mary and Jessie Bradshaw, and Messrs. Carl Hawkins and Charles Sams.

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Frank Brown, aged 26, an employe of a garage in Lakeland, died in intense agony recently. Some person dropped a lighted match in a little pool of gasoline and Brown's trousers leg caught fire. Brown then made a rush for the lake near by and as he went out of the garage some one picked up a pail of gasoline, thinking it was water, and threw it upon Brown, who continued toward the lake, but fell before he got there.

MAKES REAL CASH RETURNS

For every dollar spent in co-operative demonstration work in Florida by the state and federal governments through the University of Florida extension division, the farms and farmers are twenty-five dollars better off. Which is a remarkable return on the investment. The returns are made in the form of increased farm values, increased crop production, and increased herds of improved livestock. Part of the return is in cash; the rest of it is in the farm itself or its equipment.

You don't generally like figures, but you will like these. Here are a few of the items that go to make up the [illegible] returns:

Through following the demonstration methods, the corn crop was increased. That increase, figured at [illegible] cents a bushel, was $51,572. The increase in silage at $4 a ton was $14,[illegible]. The increase in hay at $20 a ton was $10,320. The increase in oats [illegible] cents a bushel was $20,[illegible]. Going on through the list you will find cowpeas and velvet beans netting an increase of $52,950, Irish potatoes [illegible] an increased production [illegible] more than a thousand dollars, and sweet potatoes, an increase of nearly six thousand dollars.

Through demonstration methods used in handling livestock, the total return was $492,71[illegible] includes the value of new live stock and the value of those saved from death by disease. The increased value of the farms brought about through improvements such as stumping, and the building of silos and dipping vats amount to $130,000. The value of fertilizers and manures bought or saved amounts to more than one and a half million dollars.

Then here are results that cannot be measured in dollars. Farmers have been shown how to get increased returns and by following the demonstration methods year after year will be compounding the interest on this year's investments. Boys and girls have been shown how to raise better corn and pigs and to can, or otherwise save, the surplus products of the farm gardens. Farmers are choosing better seed for planting and better breeding stock as a basis for their livestock herds. They are planting new crops and handling old ones in new and more profitable ways. And all of this was brought about by the efforts of the workers in the extension division.

The best evidence of the popularity of demonstration work in Florida is seen in the increased appropriations from local sources for its support. The federal government gives about one-half of the money that is available for the work. The rest of it comes from the state and the counties having agents. The returns go to the state generally, but to the counties with agents in particular.

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The WEEK'S DOINGS

*Let Herrick fix it.

E. Berry of Sanford was a guest at Rose Villa Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ransford left Tuesday for their home in Terre Haute, Ind.

*Free for telling you what your watch needs. Scalf, the jeweler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee left Tuesday for their northern home in Franklin, Ind.

Taylor Langford was down from Jacksonville for a week end visit at his home here.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Mrs. A. J. Sullivan left Monday on the return trip to her home in Hanover, Mich.

The basket weaving class will meet at the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon.

*Dr. Farr, Osteopathic Specialist, graduate in Medicine and surgery Wash. St. Phone 107.

Mrs. J. Lee McCrory was over from DeLand for a short visit with friends here Saturday.

M. P. Lipe, representing the L. C. Smith & Bros. typewriter, was over from Sanford on a business visit Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Ott have been called to Louisville, Ky., by a message telling of the serious illness of their daughter.

*A trial will convince you. Scalf, the jeweler.

The Ladies Aid society of the Congregational church held an interesting meeting in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon.

A. A. Buck, general manager for the Brevard County Telephone company, was in the city from Indianola on business Monday.

**Notice—I will positively collect for the Florida Times-Union in advance and positively stop it at expiration. LEE SCALF, Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Smith, who have been spending several weeks with Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Powers, left Tuesday for their home in Connecticut.

**Let Scalf repairs your watches.

Mrs. Joe Bennett was a week end visitor in Jacksonville.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Miss Frances Hamilton spent several days last week in Jacksonville.

Mrs. H. N. Robertson made a shopping trip to Jacksonville last Saturday.

Wayne E. Connor arrived home Saturday from a business trip to New York.

I will sell my business, stock and fixtures reasonable for cash. JOHN DEMOS. 39tf.

Gus A. Stran left Monday for New York, where he will remain through the summer.

Mrs. William Thompson and her sister, Miss Ella Howson, were visitors in Daytona Thursday.

*Let Herrick Fix it.

Blake Parnes and Ralph Powers started Tuesday on an overland trip to their homes in Connecticut.

*Lessons given in shorthand and typewriting; for particulars call upon Miss Alice Case, Phone 45-51. 43-2

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Davis of Sullivan, Ind., arrived here last week and will remain for a time in Dohn's cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dake, who have been guests at the Alba Court, left Wednesday for their home in Elyria, Ohio.

Jos. S. Reed arrived last week from his home in Sullivan, Ind., for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Connable from the Hotel Ormond entertained a large party of friends at dinner at the Ocean House Sunday.

For Rent Until November 1, 8 room, furnished house, close in, on Live Oak street. Mrs. C. T. Swinford, "Hoosier Rest." 43-2t

The meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Baptist church was held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. O. L. Hinson at the H. A. Jernigan home on Canal street.

*All work guaranteed by Herrick.

John Mooney, who has been a patient in the railroad hospital in St. Augustine for several weeks, arrived home Friday.

Mrs. S. M. Waldrep and daughter, Miss Rosalie, spent a couple of days in Jacksonville this week, returning Wednesday.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

There was a good attendance at the supper given by the ladies of the Episcopal church in Guild hall Wednesday evening, and about $22 was realized.

The next meeting of the Ladies guild of the Grace Episcopal church will be held next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. George Smith.

Mrs. Gertrude Belote, who has been spending several days with her son in this city, returned Wednesday to her home in South Jacksonville.

Miss Inez Barry of Marrietta, O., returned to the Alba Court Thursday from St. Augustine, where she had been visiting friends for several days.

The regular meeting of the Current Events club, scheduled for last Monday afternoon, was not held on account of the illness of the chairman.

Miss Fearn Hibbard was over from DeLand to spend the week end at her home here. She was accompanied by her little niece, Elizabeth Robinson.

Mrs. James Buckhout, a guest at Alba Court, will leave Tuesday for Daytona to spend several days before going on to her home in New York City.

Miss Zuie Ross, who has been a guest for the last two months at the home of her brother, S. Ross, will leave tomorrow for her home in Somerset, Ky.

Louis Wehrheim, who has been here for the last four months, left last week for his home in Sparta, Ill. Miss Anna Wehrheim will remain here for another month.

Claude McNeff, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Gregory, left by automobile Tuesday for Tampa, where a short visit will be made, and the party will then begin the journey north to New York and Indiana.

Charles Roach arrived home this week from Jacksonville, where he was mustered out of service in the U. S. army. He has been serving in the Miami company with the Florida soldiers on the Mexican border.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Phelps of Newton Center, Mass., who have been guests at Alba Court, left Wednesday for Orlando to spend a day before starting on their journey north.

George A. Savage and family of Northeast Harbor, Me., and Fred Savage and wife of Bar Harbor, Me., who have been guests at the Alba Court, left Sunday for their homes in the north.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Talbott of New York have been guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Connor. Mrs. Talbott was formerly Miss Louise Simmons and is well known here.

The entertainment given at the Trinity Methodist church last Friday evening was very interesting, Mrs. Racheal Bryan Wood giving a miscellaneous literary program of humor and pathos.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Munson of Winnipeg, Canada, who have been guests at the Rio Vista hotel for two months, left Tuesday for Ormond, where they will make a short stop before continuing on to their home in the north.

The second of the series of lectures on the Ober-Ammergau Passion play will be given in the Congregational church next Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. Robert A. George. This lecture will be illustrated.

Mrs. W. P. Moore arrived Sunday from New York City to spend several days with her mother, Mrs. A. R. Moore, and sisters, Mrs. G. W. Langford and Mrs. E. P. Mills, who have been stopping for the winter with Mrs. L. E. Cox.

A party which thoroughly enjoyed a trip to Turtle Mound Wednesday in the boat Annie W., in charge of Capt. Gilbert D. Webster, was made up of Judge and Mrs. John Hayes, Judge A. D. Thomas, J. Fred Smith and wife and daughter, C. A. Veiman, C. A. Marantette, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Thiele of Grand Rapids, Mich., who have been spending the season at Fort Lauderdale, stopped over here between trains Monday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Osmun, on their way north.

A number of the young people enjoyed a dance in Dohn's hall Wednesday night, the music being furnished by the Harvard quintette.

Mr. and Mrs. Safely arrived here this week from Winona, Minn. Mr. Safely has accepted a position as train dispatcher for the Flagler system.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hopkins, Mrs. G. H. Crane, Mrs. P. L. Gaddis and Mrs. E. A. Latham formed a party which motored to DeLand Wednesday and had lunch at the College Arms hotel.

The usual good time was had by those who attended the Saturday night dance at the Rio Vista hotel last Saturday night. These weekly hops are proving a source of much pleasure to the guests and home folks.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

The children of the Loyal Temperance Legion of the Baptist church will give a silver medal contest at the Baptist church next Tuesday evening, March 27th. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

J. E. Costner, who has been employed as a clerk in the New Smyrna pharmacy during the winter season, has accepted a position at Gastonia, N. C., and will leave for that place in a few days.

Miss Anna Way of Savannah, Ga., who has been spending some time in Miami, came up this week for a visit of two weeks with her niece, Mrs. John Coleman on Faulkner street.

**Hardy Avocado or Alligator Pears, ripening from October until May, which stand more cold than orange trees. Booklet free. JOHN B. REACH, West Palm Beach, Fla. 49

Floed and Don Murray came over from DeLand, where they are attending Stetson university, for the week end at home. They were accompanied by M'Lard Smith and all returned to DeLand Sunday.

The young people of the Congregational church will have a social in the church Friday evening, and all young people are invited to be present. J. N. Babcock will give to the young people his experience as a Hoosier school master.

Much interest is being shown in the revivals being conducted by Rev. Mr. Steinmeyer, the pastor-evangelist, at the Methodist church. South. Services are held each afternoon at 2:30 and each evening at 7:30 o'clock. Good music for these special services is furnished by a large chorus choir.

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Ward Estey was in the city this week on the way from Jacksonville, where he had been mustered out of service in the United States army, to his home in Kissimmee. Ward has been playing in the regimental band with the Florida soldiers on the Mexican border.

The pupils of Miss Ruth Courtney's Sunday school class will be entertained at the teacher's home tomorrow afternoon. The pupils of Mrs. John Rowe's class have been invited to join them, and a good time is anticipated. Refreshments will be served and games will be enjoyed by the little folks.

*Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.

The Ladies Aid society of the Trinity M. E. church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. D. Pritchard. There were 17 ladies present and a very pleasant afternoon was spent. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The next meeting of the society will be held at the home of Mrs. H. N. Robertson. All ladies are cordially invited.

Silver Medal Contest at Coronado

The silver medal contest held Monday evening at the church in Coronado was one of the most interest- of the series so far held. The contest was conducted by the W. C. T. U. under the direction of Mrs. Silsby, and the contestants were Mesdames Jernigan, Langford, Roach, Barraby and Dutcher. The talks given by all were very interesting and the medal was awarded to Mrs. Dutcher, who is 73 years of age.

Silver Tea a Success

The "Silver Tea" given by the ladies of the Altar society at the home of Mrs. F. D. Hamilton last Saturday afternoon, St. Patrick's day, was a success and was attended by a large number of the ladies of the society and their friends. The Hamilton home was prettily decorated for the occasion in green and white and sandwiches, tea, wafers and cake were the refreshments.

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The regular meeting of the U. D. C. will be held next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. H. Wilson on Orange street.

Commissioner of Agriculture McRae has discovered a hog in Calhoun county that weighed 1,326 pounds and produced $141 worth of lard. He claims this is the biggest hog on record. Don't know about that. We have one in DeSoto county who took this paper for two years without paying for it and when we sent him a bill for his subscription he marked the paper "refused" and poked it back into the postoffice. Can anybody beat that for a hog?—Arcadia News.

C. E. Social

The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church will have a social in the church Friday evening, March 30th. Refreshments will be served and an invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

Young Ladies Card Club

The members of the Young Ladies Card club were entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Rosalie Waldrep at the home of Miss Louise Crane and the usual good time was enjoyed by the members. A salad course and coffee were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Beckham Entertains at Tea

Mrs. Beckham of Toledo, Ohio, a guest at the Ocean House, gave a tea at that hotel to a number of her friends Monday afternoon. Among those present were Mrs. Frederick Smith of Detroit, Mrs. Judge Hayes of Sullivan, Ind., Mrs. Frank H. Cozens of New York, Mrs. Marantette of Chesterfield, Mich., Mrs. Bonebelle and Mrs. Wilson of this city. The refreshments were delicious and the guests found Mrs. Beckham a delightful hostess.

Trinity M. E. Church

All services at Trinity last Sunday were full of interest. The choir did good work; Mrs. Moore sang, the themes of the pulpit seemed to interest the hearers. The Epworth League had a very interesting and profitable meeting but will have a better one next Sunday evening, with special music and other interesting things, not always on the program. Young people and their friends are invited to the Epworth League. A cordial invitation in all services.

LEWIS H. MOORE, Pastor.

Brevard County Men Didn't Come

R. E. Lenfest, county demonstration agent, was in the city Monday. Mr. Lenfest came over here to meet a company of Brevard county commissioners, business men and farmers, who were starting out on a trip of inspection to study cattle and hog conditions in neighboring counties. The men were expected to reach New Smyrna early in the forenoon, but did not show up, and later Mr. Lenfest learned they had changed their route and had gone across from Titusville to Sanford and down into Orange county.

Boy Scouts Have Good Time

Friday night a number of the Boy Scouts went over to the home of Scoutmaster Cary-Elwes at Coronado and remained over night. Francis Wilson and Theodore Riley went out floundering and caught five. Saturday another lot of boys went over and Saturday night the house was full of boys. The scoutmaster was laid up with a bad foot so he could not get around very well. The boys played games and signalled with their flags from the windmill tower to others on the beach ridge. Sunday other boys came to the house and altogether there were 21, the largest attendance they have yet had. The scoutmaster feels much encouraged, as the attendance has not been what it should be. The scouts should remember that it is their duty to attend meetings and go out on hikes whenever possible.

LOCAL CHURCHES WILL OBSERVE HOLY WEEK

The Congregational and two Methodist churches of this city will unite in observance of Passion, or Holy, week, beginning Monday, April 2. The program for the week will be as follows:

Monday Night

in the Congregational church; sermon by H. A. Spencer.

Tuesday Night

in the M. E. church, South; sermon by R. A. George.

Wednesday Night

in the Congregational church; sermon by L. D. Moore.

Thursday Night

in Trinity M. E. church; sermon by H. A. Spencer, with the holy communion.

Friday Night

in the M. E. church South; sermon by L. D. Moore.

There will be special music at each service. This will be a profitable week. The meetings are for all the people. Other churches are cordially invited to join in the services.

Palm Sunday

April 1 will be decision day in the Sunday schools of these churches and Easter Sunday will be reception day. Sunday school teachers and parents are asked to give attention to these days in behalf of those in whom they may be interested.

Easter Morning

at 6:30 o'clock, in Cathedral Oak Park, there will be a sunrise service of song and prayer. Preceeding this service there will be music in the streets of the city.

SECRETARY.

*Break your cold or lagrippe with a few doses of 666.

DEATH TO CUTWORMS

The ravages of cutworms can be checked easily by the application of a simple, home-made remedy to the garden, says W. L. Floyd of the University of Florida college of agriculture. This formula for making cutworm poison is the best in use, he says:

Ten pounds of bran, middlings or corn meal, one-half pound of paris green, juice and grated rind of one lemon, and one pint of syrup. Mix thoroughly, adding enough water to make the mass stick together without being sloppy.

Apply a small quantity of this mash near the base of each plant in the evening (for cutworms feed at night) or spread it broadcast through the garden or truck patch.

The Truth About America

At the Palace theater last night "Guarding Old Glory," the great patriotic feature, was shown to a crowded house of true, rich-blooded Americans, who not only cheered and clapped, but drank in the answer to the question, "Are we prepared?" with great understanding. Julien Proskauer, in the absence of the regular lecturer, delivered a most interesting lecture, which helped to explain the points of the picture. The capture of Vera Cruz is graphically shown, as are various other points in the training of our army and navy. The picture is not only timely, but is truth personified. If more such pictures could be shown the moving pictures would be more of an education to the people.

WEATHER REPORT

for the week ending March 19, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Date	High	Low	Rainfall
13	86	53	.00
14	81	54	.00
15	82	56	.00
16	78	56	.00
17	84	61	.00
18	72	58	.00
19	68	46	.00

*Join the "Raise Something to Eat Club." See page 8 of this paper.

Loyalty

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right." —Lincoln.

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MARCH MEETING BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The regular March meeting of the Volusia board of county commissioners was held in DeLand March 13th, with all members of the board present.

Chairman Burgman announced the appointement of Commissioners C. O. Codrington, L. B. Bouchelle and D. G. McBride as the building and poor house committee for the term.

The following resolution was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes: "Resolved, That we, the board of county commissioners in and for Volusia county, Florida, do hereby designate and fix the first Thursday after the first Monday of each and every month in the year at 11 o'clock a. m., as the date and time of our regular meeting, except for the month of January, July and August, which meetings for the said months shall be held on the first Monday of said months, as provided by law, at 11 o'clock a. m. The action of this board, fixing the second Tuesday as the meeting day being hereby rescinded.

The report of the road superintendent for the month of February was read and ordered spread upon the minutes, as follows:

Hon. Board of Co Commissioners.
Gentlemen:

I beg to report to you the following work for the month of February in district No. 2:

Completion of North Boulevard from DeLand city limits to Daytona road, using wheel barrows in making fills.

Completion of grade on DeLand and Daytona road from North Boulevard to five mile camp and DeLand-Daytona road, making all fills with wheel barrows, doing this work with convicts, and without any expense of team hire.

Men in camp, 25; men released from camp, 5; men delivered to camp, 5; men escaped from camp, 1; men paid fine, 1.

HARVEY JONES.
Road Superintendent.

The following road and bridge reports were presented:

District No. 1, general repairs.

District No 2, completion of road from DeLand Landing road to Beresford farms, one-half of expense being paid by property owners, and general repairs in the district

District No. 3 reported investigation of Haw creek bridge and recommended that Volusia county pay cost of bridge to channel of creek, provided St. Johns county would build to channel from their side of creek.

District No. 4 reported repairs to Ridgewood avenue, through Kingston and repairs to DeLand-Daytona road; also repairs to road from Ormond to Mound Grove and repairs to Smith Creek bridge, and new shell placed on shoulders of Daytona-Port Orange road.

District No. 5 reported general repairs and donation of shell for repairs to Wilbur road.

On motion the road superintendent is instructed to expend not to exceed $50 in planting trees along public highway at Hawks Park, as petitioned for by freeholders.

On motion the claim of V. L. Marshall for damage to property along public road was referred to the attorneys of the board for report.

The petition of citizens for a road from New Smyrna to Creighton was referred to the road superintendent for investigation and report.

The petition from citizens of Hawks Park asking that the right of way on public road through the town be put in condition, was referred to road engineers for investigation and report.

The following resolution was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes:

Whereas, It appears to this board that the following lands, towit:

In township 20 south of range 33 east, section 33, S½ of NE¼, N½ of NW¼ and SE¼ of NW¼; in township 21 south of range 33 east, section 3, W½, NW¼ of SE¼ and SW¼ of SE¼, and in section 4, E½ of E½, and in section 9, E½ of NE¼, and in section 10 E½ and NW¼, and in section 14 W½ of NW¼, and in section 15 NE¼, and in section 23 E½ of SW¼, and in section 26 W½, and in section 35 W½ of E½ and E½ of W½, have been sold and omittted from the tax roll for unpaid taxes since 1894, and it appearing that said land is overflowed at least nine months in the year, and is of little value, therefore, the comptroller is requested to authorize the clerk of the circuit court to accept from J. R. Hayden, the present owner of said land, the sum of $250 in full payment of all tax sales and omitted taxes now outstanding against said property.

The clerk was instructed to ask the East Coast and Coast Line railroads to notify the board on the first of each month the amount of any unpaid freight bills owing them by contractors doing work in Volusia county.

All claims against the several road contractors in the county were referred to the attorneys of the board for investigation and report.

F. C. Proudfoot was requested to withdraw his contract for the building of the DeLand Daytona road in the Halifax special road district and he was instructed not to proceed with any construction work or the preparation of any material for use on said road and to notify the board at the next meeting of his decision on the above request and instruction.

The county engineers were instructed to give no lines or grades on the DeLand-Daytona road in the Halifax district until further orders from the board

The road superintendent was given full authority to purchase two road drags for county use and to have such of the county machinery repaired as is worth repairing and dispose of the balance to the best advantage

The New Smyrna Breeze was designated as the newspaper to publish the Volusia county tax sale notice of 1916

The tax collector was instructed to get prices on a less expensive adding machine than the one submitted

The matter of tax adjustment of Mrs. F. M Bessey, George Fulze, G. W Robinson and A. S. Randall were referred to Tax Assessor Wilson for investigation and report

The bid of the Baltimore Enamel and Novelty company to furnish the county with 2,250 auto tags at 25c each was accepted, provided they would accept the order subject to any change that might be made in the law relative to auto tags by the next session of the legislature.

The petition of citizens of Seville asking for repairs to the Seville-Orange Hammock road was referred to the road superintendent for investigation. The road superintendent was also instructed to purchase chain for the Astor ferry.

The communication from George Boynton in relation to the condition of the right of way in front of his property was referred to the county engineers for investigation The semi-annual financial statement of Volusia county for the period ending Sept. 30th, 1916, was ordered published in the Daytona Journal

The attorneys for the board were instructed to notify the E. W. Bond company to put their crossings over the DeLand-Daytona road in repair.

The matter of building dipping vats for the eradication of cattle tick in Volusia county was taken up and the board assured the government agent, E. M. Neighbert, that they would cooperate with him and would recommend a suitable amount in the next county budget to carry on the work.

The report of the farm demonstrator was read and ordered filed.

The following official bonds were approved: Notary bond of Laurence Thompson, Lois A. Neel, Kate Inman, C. M. Dameron; justice of the peace bond of F. N. Purdy; deputy sheriff bond of P. S. Fagan; county surveyor bond of Alfred Howard. The following revolver bonds were approved and the clerk instructed to issue licenses therefor: M. Bunger, Henry Clifton, Grover C. Rodes and J. C. Crews.

Criminal court cost bills were examined, audited and approved for $612.99 and the clerk instructed to issue warrants covering the same.

The bond and contract of A C Ballough for building the sea wall at Holly Hill was signed.

The clerk was instructed to notify the Southern Clay Manufacturing company and the Wilson Construction company that if the demurrage bills held against them by the Atlantic Coast Line railroad were not adjusted by the next meeting of the board, April 5, 1917, the board would take action for their payment.

The matter of compensation to the sheriff for the arrest of illegal fishermen was referred to the attorneys of the board for an opinion.

A warrant was ordered drawn in favor of Bingham & Thompson for aid to Phoebe Robinson.

Dr Walter Stephens was appointed county physician in place of Dr. W. R. Stephens, deceased, for the same period and salary.

The following proposition from Ackerman & Ellis was accepted:

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,
Gentlemen:

We hereby beg to submit proposition to deliver you shell at the following places and amounts, placed in neat piles alongside the railroad siddings as follows. Glencoe, 1,000 cubic yards; Indian Springs, 1,000 cubic yards Osteen, 500 cubic yards; Lake Helen, 500 cubic yards. The price for the above shell to be $1 05 per cubic yard.

Ackerman & Ellis also submitted the following proposition to sell the Lowd shell mound to the county as part payment on the county mound under the following conditions:

The county to take the shell mound at 25,000 cubic yards, as surveyed by C. M Rogers of Daytona. Ackerman & Ellis to deed to the county the ten acres upon which the mound is situated, and the county to deed to Ackerman & Ellis the land upon which the county mound stands. This to apply as a payment on the county shell mound to the amount of 25,000 cubic yards.

Commissioner Heymans was authorized to have the road near the Leonardy place straightened, the county to pay one-half of the expense from the road fund, and the county engineers were instructed to follow the lines designated by Mr Heymans and not to build the road through the Leonardy forty acre tract as now laid out.

The clerk was instructed to notify Hamilton Johnson to appear before the board at the next regular meeting to take up the matter of road contract.

The bills against the New Smyrna special road and bridge district were approved as follows.

General revenue fund	$ 557.55
Nat'l Bank of Commerce	25.00
J B. McCrary Co	2,237.36
Ackerman & Ellis	9,434 30
Hamilton Johnson	1,827.51
Langston & Mack	10,027.32
Board of Bond Trustees	7,63 29
Bryson & Bryson	11,027 58
Bryson & Bryson	3,690 62
Bryson & Bryson	1,094 82
Bryson & Bryson	3,803.08

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At a meeting of the Florida naval militia at Miami recently R. M. Thompson, former naval officer and president of the Naval Academy Alumni association of New York, said he had positive information that a German submarine is lurking off the coast of Florida "waiting for the overt act precipitating war with Germany to begin destruction of American commerce."

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The giant causeway now under construction across Biscayne bay between Miami and the ocean at a cost of $600,000, will require 2,868 cars of construction material and if all the material to be used in the construction were to be rolled into a bar one-quarter of an inch in diameter it would reach from Miami to New York and back again, is the estimate of the builders. The causeway will be about three miles long and will have a roadway twenty feet wide, a sidewalk five feet wide on one side and an electric railway track on the other.

GLADES CROPS HALF BILLION A YEAR

Reclaimed Lands Will Double State's Tax Roll

By CHARLES A. WALSH,
Former Secretary Democratic National Committee and now a resident of Davie, the first settlement in the Everglades.

The United States has use for this whole five million acres of Everglades land in the production of citrus fruits, sugar cane, meat and milk. The value of these lands when fully reclaimed will be greater than lands anywhere in the world, no matter how favorably to markets those other lands may be situated.

It is not too much to put a valuation of gross production of wealth per acre per year when finally developed of $100, and a valuation upon the land itself of $250 per acre. The certain production from them when the future sees them reclaimed and settled will be far above the figures given, while on a 10 per cent capitalization basis the net returns will justify and give a value to the land very far beyond the latter amount named.

Half Billion of Wealth.

But, even at the conservative figures given the five million acres of Everglades land of the state will produce a gross wealth of five hundred millions of dollars in the three great staple crops mentioned. It will justify at the least a tax valuation finally placed on this land of not less than $100 an acre, or a total of five hundred millions of dollars against which state, county and school taxes may be assessed each year.

Here will be the grandest agricultural empire in the world, pouring an unparalleled and unceasing stream of food and clothing into the lap of the world's people; supporting by its millions of taxes and business the most splendid developments of city, town and country; and with it all bringing happiness, contentment, peace and wealth to the great citizenship of this most favored section and state.

Greater Than Cotton Crop.

The three greatest staple crops of this country are corn, cotton and wheat. Texas, raising 20 per cent of the world's cotton supply, has produced in her greatest cotton crop prior to the present world war a little less than 4,600,000 bales, which at an average farm price of ten cents a pound, or fifty dollars a bale, has a gross value of but $230,000,000. Taking an average total production of 13,000,000 bales for the whole United States and at the same farm valuation per bale, the value of the whole crop is but $650,000,000, or but little more than the gross wealth to be produced from these Everglades, if farmed to the three great staples mentioned—sugar, meat and milk and citrus fruits.

One year with another, Iowa is the greatest corn state in the Union, as well as being the greatest producer of farm wealth of all the states. One year with another, her corn crop runs about 350,000,000 bushels with a farm value of $175,000,000, while all her crops bring her in a little less than five hundred millions of dollars Compare this with an Everglades production of five hundred millions of dollars,—and Iowa has about 35,000,000 acres of land, practically all of which is tillable.

The total wheat crop of the United States for 1909 was about 683,000,000 bushels, of which North Dakota the leading state, produced 117 millions. At an average farm value of $1 a bushel the whole crop of the country was worth $683,000,000, and that of the leading state was worth $117,000,000, the latter but a fifth of the possibilities of the Everglades

Half Billion in Crops.

Now, what is Florida's total annual farm production? The 13th Biennial Report of the state agricultural department shows the total value of every farm crop, including staples and field crops, vegetables and garden products, fruit, poultry, dairies, apiaries, etc., and including as well the farm value of every animal of every kind, for the year 1909-10 to have been $56,712,734; for the year 1911-12, $63,823,297, and for the year 1913-14, $83,861,135. Leaving out the value of farm animals, the poultry and poultry products, and your total wealth production was, for the last mentioned year, but $49,730,203 Less than fifty millions. While the Everglades, with two hundred thousand farmers, will give you five hundred millions.

The last report of the state comptroller, for the year ending December 31, 1915, shows over 31 million acres of land in the state; exclusive of city and town lots, the land has a value of a little less than $110,000,000 for purposes of taxation, and the total value of all real estate is a little less than $202,000,000. This same report shows the total value of all real and personal property, all railroads Pullman cars and telegraph lines to be but $292,563,254. The Everglades alone, when finally settled, will add five hundred millions to this tax roll, if assessed at a hundred dollars an acre, and they can well stand it while even at fifty dollars an acre they will add an amount greatly in excess of the entire present real estate tax roll.

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that C. J. Norman, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 816, dated the 1st day of June, A. D. 1914, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Volusia County, Florida, to-wit: Lots 2 and 4 E of Road, Sub of Lot 5 and NW¼ of SW¼, Sec. 19, Twp. 17 S., Range 34 E.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Bradley Fertilizer Co. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 27th day of March, A. D. 1917.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1917. SAM'L D. JORDAN, Clerk Circuit Court Volusia County Florida. By CLIFFORD BOTTS, (SEAL) Deputy Clerk. (feb23-mar23)

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida at its next regular session in accordance with laws made and provided to designate, locate and perpetuate, as New Smyrna Beach that territory, "Situated on the Sea Shore, south of the Bar of Mosquito, at a place formerly cultivated by Dr. Turnbull," on the peninsula opposite New Smyrna, Fla., and embraced in sections 4, 5, 9, 55 and 16, in township 17, S. R. 34 E., Meridian of Florida. (mar2-apr27)

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EFFICIENCY IN STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN

Not many Floridians ever think of their state board of health as a completely equipped business organization, a part of whose necessary functions is to administer its financial affairs according to the most thoroughly efficient and exact methods, involving as they do, the annual expenditure of large amounts of state funds and the precise accounting for all such funds.

These essential duties are no less important than those for which the board was specifically organized—the conservation of public health and the education of the people to high standards of living and sanatation.

Perhaps even fewer people have a definite idea of this organization which must fill all the functions of a highly complicated business proposition, making it at the same time subsidary to the even more complicated department, which must be continuously on guard against the invasion from abroad or the department at home of epidemic diseases and which must teach the people under its jurisdiction to overcome inherited prejudices and ideas about dseases and instruct them in the value of up-to-date modern sanitation and moral cleanliness.

Such work is not that of untrained minds, such as may be found among the men and women who might be thoroughly efficient in a business organization, and therefore the personnel of the body of employees who are making, and have made, the state board of health one of the most successful organizations of its kind in the United States, must be selected by strenuously careful methods.

Experience and common sense are two elementally important qualifications for the work of the board. The department which administers the financing and accounting work is manned by persons who would find place only in the highest type of responsible business concerns, and the stability of their connection depends upon the same principal that would determine their employment by a business houe or corporation of such kind.

In that work where the board comes directly into contact with the people of Florida, the work of the assistant health officers, physicians and nurses, the demand is greater for educated specialists. The election of such employees might open the door for inefficiency through friendship, favoritism and political pull, if such a door had ever exsted. But in the construction of the board, that door was ever built in, and from the beginning all such influences have been scrupulously barred out.

On this subject the executive officer has written in the forthcoming annual report of the board as follows: "By making competition and ability requirements of selection and employment and divorcing from the appointment of technical and clerical forces all pressure of friendship and favoritism, the executive officer has gathered about him a working crew freed from political taint or the charge of the payment of political debts for campaign services of all kinds. Every technical assistant has had to measure up to a standard established by an examining board, of which, however, the state health officer as executive officer of the board has purposely not been a member, and every clerk has known that the stability of his position depended on the character of work and service rendered."

Through the fires of experience the mistakes of the past and of others have been avoided and there has been built up by these careful methods a health organization in Florida, whose value to the state and to the nation is recognized most fully by those highest in authority in national health affairs, and no sane business man can doubt that this efficiency would be lessened seriously by the adoption of methods less strenuous in the selection of men and women to carry on this work.

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Represents 20,000 Owners of Everglades Lands

Announcing itself as representing the interests of 20,000 citizens of Florida and other states who have bought undrained lands in the Everglades in the belief that the land was to be drained by the state, the Everglades Drainage League, with headquarters at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., is waging a campaign to have the finance drainage taken out of politics and placed on a business basis.

The Drainage League last summer forced the drainage question as a dominant issue in the state campaign. It secured pledges from Governor Catts and a number of candidates who were later successful in the primaries, that if elected they would favor such new legislation as would provide for adequate drainage without further delay.

New Legislation Urged.

In its main essentials, legislation urged by the League is as follows:

1. That the control of the drainage lands, funds and operations shall be taken out of the hands of the present state officials and be vested in an Independent Everglades Drainage Commission, to be appointed by the governor, which shall locate headquarters near the drainage district, and shall have ample authority to provide for the financing of adequate drainage work, the employment of competent engineers, and all other matters necessary to bring about speedy completion of the project.

2. That the lands given by the United States to be used exclusively for drainage purposes, and which remain undisposed of, shall be unreservedly pledged and used for the redemption of drainage bonds.

Would Recover R. R. Lands.

A suit was recently filed in the United States District Court at Jacksonville, under the auspices of the League, asking that a receiver be appointed for the Internal Improvement Fund, with authority to make a complete accounting of that fund, and also with authority to issue bonds and make contracts for the completion of drainage, and to bring suit to recover for the drainage fund several million acres of swamp and overflowed lands which, it is alleged, have been illegally and improperly granted by the legislature and the Internal Improvement Trustees, in years past, to railroad and other corporations. This suit was dismissed in the District Court, upon motion of Attorney General West and E. J. L'Engle, representing the Trustees. The League has announced that an appeal will be taken to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The entire Everglades district, embracing about 4,000,000 acres, the League asserts, was given to Florida under an act of Congress passed in 1850, on condition that the lands and the proceeds from their sale were to be used exclusively, as far as necessary, for the purpose of drainage, and that only the residue of such lands and proceeds left after drainage was completed were to belong to the state.

Drainage Trust Ignored.

Despite this agreement, it is declared by the League, more than two million acres of Everglades lands has been given to railroad and other corporations for other purposes than for drainage, and within the last few years the trustees of the I. I. Fund have asserted that the remaining 1,500,000 acres of Everglades lands under their control are the property of the state, to be used for any purpose desired, without regard to the compact made under the law of 1850. Under this policy, it is charged, the trustees recommended a law which was passed by the legislature in 1913, which provides for issuance of drainage bonds secured only by the taxes on the Everglades lands. This law provides that taxes shall be paid on the lands owned by the trustees and by the state school fund, the same as on lands privately owned, but no provision has ever been made for paying the taxes on these public lands, and practically none of these taxes, which are now in arrears for more than $1,500,000, have been paid.

The League charges that the reason the trustees have not been able to sell Everglades bonds is because there is not such proper security behind these bonds as makes them a safe investment.

How State May Gain $50,000,000.

The 1,500,000 acres now held by the trustees, as well as the 150,000 acres held by the State Board of Education, it is urged, are practically valueless until they are drained and made available for settlement and cultivation. These lands are scattered all over the Everglades and cannot be drained without draining the entire Everglades. Thoroughly drained and reclaimed, it is said, these drainage funds and school lands will be worth from $50 to $100 an acre, or at least $100,000,000. By mortgaging these lands to drain the entire Everglades, and then selling the drained lands under state control, it will be possible, it is urged, to make the increased value of the public lands pay for all the drainage and leave an asset of $50,000,000 or more, which will belong to the state and can be used for educational or other public purposes.

STATE NEWS NOTES

There are 455 men prisoners and 27 women prisoners at the Florida state prison farm.

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A telephone has been installed in each of the class rooms of the Fort Myers high school.

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Sanford is shipping out celery at the rate of 100 cars a week. The freeze has proven a blessing in disguise.

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The Civic association of Tampa is staging a lawn contest, intending to give prizes for the best kept lawns in the city.

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It is rumored that the headquarters of the Charlotte & Northern railroad will be moved from Boca Grande to Arcadia.

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A party of hunters out from Fort Myers on the Fikahatchee recently brought back six deer and three turkeys as trophies.

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An effort is being made to form a state baseball league to include the following cities: Tampa, St. Petersburg, Lakeland, Orlando, Sanford and Bartow.

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In a kite-flying contest at Jacksonville recently Eddo Wright won a Y. M. C. A. blue enamel pin by playing out 1,000 feet of twine. Another contest will be held tomorrow.

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An ordinance giving the East Coast railroad a right of way over several streets in Cocoa, enabling the road to straighten its tracks through the city, was recently passed by the city council.

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The contract has been awarded for the erection of a four-story Y. M. C. A. building in Miami to cost $107,000. Work is to be begun at once, and the building is to be completed by about Nov. first.

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This Florida sand sure is getting valuable, and that in a hurry. Louis A. Pierce of Key West has disposed of a tract of Miami property to E. R. Moore of Iowa at a profit of 6,000 per cent.

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Marshal Huggins, aged eighty-one, was run down and killed by a Seaboard train a few miles north of Orlando one day last week. He did not hear the approaching train.

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Mrs. Ada Williams of Jacksonville celebrated the death of her husband by getting "beastly drunk." She was arrested and brought into court, but sentence was deferred so that she could attend the funeral of her departed spouse.

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Daytona is bidding good and strong for the 1917 convention of the Florida Sunday school association. Secretary Weidler has been in Daytona looking into the merits of the claims of the "prettiest winter resort in the world" as a convention city. More than 500 people will attend the state convention.

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While out bird hunting recently, A. C. Allemand of Plant City was accidentally killed by his own gun, the hammer of which caught on a wire fence, firing the weapon. The whole load took effect in the left temple, causing instant death.

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The generator and other material for Stuart's new electric light plant have arrived, and more is enroute. Engineer Henley of the Southern Utilities company is on the ground and active work on both the waterworks and electric plants will begin at once.

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Prominent business men and land owners of Jacksonville will organize and incorporate the Florida State Fair and Livestock association. The capital stock will be $200,000 with a right to increase to $500,000. F. C. Groover will be president and B. R. Kessler secretary.

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The officials of Miami are going to regulate the jitneys. Among others, a new law provides a liability bond of $5,000 for each vehicle operated.

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Irwin & Leighton of Philadelphia have been awarded the contract for building the new $100,000 passenger station in Jacksonville. The new station will be built upon the site of the present one and will probably be built of Indiana limestone, and will be modeled in part after the Union station in Washington.

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In their seagoing launch off the shore of St. Augustine a few days ago Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Adams of Philadelphia, Pa., captured a ten-foot shark, a sure enough man-eater. It was caught with an ordinary fishing line, being hooked through the tail.

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HAWKS PARK

Mr. and Mrs. Murray opened up their house for a week end party.

The Thimble club met with Mrs. Forster Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Brown was down from Daytona this week to look after his bees.

Measles have kept a number of the children out of school the last two weeks.

The regular meeting of the church aid society will be held Thursday afternoon.

The ladies were very successful with their bazaar and supper, clearing about $105.

Miss Leone Lamboley was down from Holly Hill for the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. E. Heal.

Mrs. Hawkins' sister and her baby, who have been enjoying a pleasant visit here, have returned to their home in Georgia.

George Hill and his sister, Miss Mary arrived in the Park Wednesday afternoon. We are glad to have them with us again

Harry Mitchell has been shipping a lot of fruit recently and the fruit is in good condition. His grove was protected by firing.

Mrs. N. M. Hinseley and son, B. V., of Sheridan, Ind., are boarding at Mrs. Parker's while Mr. Hinseley is under treatment at the Shelter sanitorium.

Ashley Ward has returned to his home in Paintsville, Ky., after having spent a pleasant winter in Florida, and having been much benefitted in health.

The Hart family, who left here a few weeks ago to tour the southern part of the state, have returned to the Park and are in the Wiggins cottage.

Don and Floyd Murray and Millard Smith came over from Stetson for the week end, coming over with Mrs. E. Pierre and Miss Jagger, who had driven over to Maitland the first of the week.

Dr. Sessions is compelled to remain in the house these days because of blood poisoning in his foot We hope he will soon be out in his grove again, where he loves to be at work.

The Crawford family are all happy over the arrival of a nine-pound boy, William Edgar Stinson Mrs Stinson and the baby are both doing well. Grandpa Crawford says the young man is already able to make known his wants and is master of the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright, son Perry, and daughter Virginia, who have spent the winter here in the Wilkinson cottage, expect to leave the first of next week on their homeward journey. They plan to take about a week to drive to their home in Hendersonville, N. C.

CORONADO

Mr. and Mrs. Parsons and little Marion left Saturday for their home in Darlington, Wisconsin.

Wilbur Myers of Springfield, O., is stopping at the Barber house for a few weeks fishing.

Mrs. Walter Cooper entertained her club at her home on Flagler avenue Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. F. S. Eblen has been called to her home in Akron, Ohio, by the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. John Vrooman and Mrs. Emma Vrooman have returned from their visit to Mt. Dora and Eustis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Straight, who have been spending the winter in Coronado, left Saturday for their home in Providence, R. I.

Miss Marie Spence entertained Misses Georgia Compton, Frances Gates, Ruth Cain, Mrs. Granville Read, Mrs. H. A. Goble and Mrs. J. U. Bonnet Monday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served by this charming hostess.

TO ADD $50,000,000 TO STATE'S RICHES

How Florida Will Gain From Everglades Drainage

By HERMAN B. WALKER.

A million people will be added to the population of the state of Florida within ten years after the completion of the reclamation of the Everglades. Delay in the work of draining this wonderful, vast, wet muckland prairie is holding back a development greater than any the state has yet known.

If all the people of Florida could know and understand the possibilities of the Everglades as those of us who live on their margin know and understand them, there would be no need to urge the importance of this work. It is no exaggeration to say that reclaimed Everglades muck is perhaps the most productive soil in Florida, or that the Everglades constitute the largest and richest body of unused agricultural lands in the United States. Although not entirely free from frost, the climate is mild, living conditions when the lands are thoroughly drained will be ideal, and there is a long list of farm and garden crops that can be planted practically every month in the year.

Potato Crop, $400 an Acre.

As this is being written, potatoes are being harvested at Doyle, grown on partly drained Everglades soil, that were planted just ten weeks ago, and that will yield the growers a return of probably $400 an acre at present prices. Celery now being gathered in this same district will yield even larger returns per acre.

The luxuriant growth of forage plants of almost innumerable varieties that have been tried out in the muck have demonstrated beyond question that the Everglades offers a wonderful future as a dairy and stock raising country. From 60 to 80 bushels of corn to the acre have been grown on partly reclaimed Everglades land.

Should Pay Third of State Taxes.

The only possible explanation for the delay in reclaiming these lands and making them habitable, cultivable and taxable, is that the people of the state do not fully understand the benefits that will accrue to the entire state from their development and settlement. At present these lands have only a prospective or speculative value. Here is an empire of 4,000,000 acres capable of supporting a million people, that is lying unused and useless for the most part. Fully reclaimed, these lands would have a taxable value of from $25 to $100 an acre or more. Reclaimed and settled the Everglades should pay a third or more of the taxes necessary to support the state government and state institutions. Why not drain them? Why delay the work longer?

Engineering Problems Solved.

There are no difficult problems of an engineering nature to solve in bringing about Everglades drainage. All engineers are agreed as to the general plan to be followed. With in sufficient funds to prosecute the entire work vigorously and complete it wholly within a limited time, however, the state has spread its efforts out so thin that, while hundreds of miles of canals have been partly dredged, covering a territory embracing a large portion of the Everglades, practically no part of the Glades has received any material and permanent benefit from the work that has been done.

No Trouble About Financing.

Only a part of the work that has been done so far is wasted, however. The great need at present is to have some parts of the work finished, and this can be done quickly without any interference with the completion of the project as a whole. There is no good reason why at least half a million acres of Everglades lands, with proper planning and vigorous action, cannot be made ready for settlement within the next year or two. With such settlement provided for and accomplished, there will be no longer any speculation as to the value of reclamation. Let us make such a demonstration as this, and there will be no trouble about selling all the bonds necessary to finish the project, even if the ultimate amount is as great as $50,000,000, which would not be a prohibitive price for the wonderful development it would bring about. Let even a hundred thousand acres of the Glades be built up with homes and farms, and it will be easier to sell five per cent. bonds at par to finish the project than it now is to sell six per cent. bonds at 95.

Today we have 20,000 or more people, living in all parts of the United States, who bought Everglades lands several years ago, hoping and expecting to come to Florida to live, anticipating, with excellent reason, that the drainage of their lands would be quickly accomplished. Practically none of their lands are drained, and under present conditions nobody can say when they will be drained. We are asking all these people to pay taxes on their undrained lands, which are at present unused and useless. Thousands of these buyers have quit paying taxes, forfeited their lands and lost the money they invested. Others will do the same this year, and if present conditions are continued it will be only a few years before the greater part of these investors have become discouraged, their lands forfeited and their money wholly lost.

Injustice to Land Owners.

These people bought lands which they reasonably expected were to be drained by the state. The land-owners are willing to pay their share of the cost of drainage, and should pay such share, but they should not be asked or expected to pay taxes on their lands until they are drained, or at least until they are in process of being drained and the state has shown a proper disposition to carry out the trust conditions of its contract with the Federal government regarding the lands.

Under present laws, people whose lands are located ten, twenty or a hundred miles from sections which may hope to receive any early benefit from drainage works now in progress, are asked to pay taxes the same as those whose lands abut on the canals under construction. Certainly nobody will say that this is fair, and certainly Florida cannot afford to have it truthfully charged that under her laws any injustice is practiced upon people who invest their money in the state and are anxious to become citizens and taxpayers.

Sub-Districts Impracticable.

It has been suggested that the Everglades might be divided into a number of sub drainage districts, each of which would sell its own bonds and take care of its own drainage. A moment's reflection will convince anybody of the impracticability of such a plan, when it is considered that in its operation there would be endless confusion and controversy as to whether one district was taking care of more than its share of water, backing up or discharging water onto another district, or so arranging its drainage and outlets as to be consistent with the proper plans for drainage work in an adjoining district. The sub-district bonds, too, would of necessity be in the nature of second mortgage bonds, subsidiary to the main district bonds, and consequently less desirable as an investment, while the cost of planning and supervising a number of small projects would naturally be much heavier than the overhead of a single supervision for the entire area. The drainage of the Everglades is a single, indivisable project and must be regarded and treated as such, and the units which may be selected by a central management for particular development at any time must be such areas as are prescribed by natural lines of topography and water flow, rather than by arbitrarily determined lines fixed by the action of owners

New Laws Are Needed.

It has been convincingly shown by experience, I think, that the present Everglades drainage laws are not properly devised to fit the needs of the project. The success of a law, like that of a machine, depends upon the manner in which it works, and the present drainage laws do not work well. The sensible thing to do is to change the laws.

It has been demonstrated very clearly that the mail order plan of doing business will not work when applied to the biggest reclamation project in the world, as the Everglades is. It is unreasonable to expect that a governor and his cabinet, compelled to spend most of their time at the state capital, nearly 500 miles away, and burdened with responsibility for a multiplicity of other public affairs, can possibly keep in close touch with Everglades work, or be familiar with its many peculiar problems and needs. We want a separate board or commission, with headquarters located adjacent to the work itself, to have full charge of Everglades drainage, with authority to do whatever is necessary to successfully drain the lands and make them ready for settlement.

Such a commission should have authority to hire the ablest engineers available to do the work. They should have full authority to issue bonds as needed and to sell them under such conditions that they will find a ready market at a good price—these bonds to be supported by the lands given by the United States government in trust for drainage purposes exclusively. They should have authority to assess drainage taxes on such lands as are getting benefits from the drainage operations, at such times and in such a way as will require every acre to pay its fair share of drainage costs without entailing hardship or injustice upon anybody.

Reclamation Will Benefit Entire State.

Reclamation of the Everglades means opening a new empire to settlement. It means prosperity for every city and town in the southern part of the state. It means lower taxes for all the people of all the state. It means new railroads, steamship lines, interurbans and good roads penetrating in every direction through one of the richest farming sections in the world, and binding together closely the east and west coasts in a common interest. It means the building of big, busy cities where there are now little towns, and new industries and enterprises and general prosperity for all of South Florida that will bring growth, larger population and higher values and taxables to every community which constitutes an inlet to or outlet from this rich country.

The reclamation of the Everglades is too big and important and too fraught with consequence to every part of the state for sectional or local prejudices or jealousies to be allowed to have any part in its consideration. Drain the Everglades and there will be such general prosperity result therefrom that every community will have its share, and more, and every section of the state will benefit thereby.

RETURNING SOLDIERS HAIL STATUE OF LIBERTY

Photo by American Press Association.

American Frenchmen and Canadian Frenchmen reaching these shores on La Touraine after having served in the French army They all saluted the statue of Liberty when it first came into view

Short Amendments.

The shortest amendment to the United States constitution is the eighth, containing but sixteen words, as follows, "Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted." The sixteenth or income tax amendment is set down in but thirty words.

Making Assurance Doubly Sure.

The pupils in a certain class in hygiene were told to set down on paper the reasons why in their opinion cremation was superior to burial

"Cremation is good," wrote one little boy, "because the person might only be in a swoon, and if he is buried he can not recover."—New York Times.

Gave Him a Pointer.

"I'd like to see Mr. Jones," said the lady caller.

"Mr. Jones is engaged, ma'am," replied the new office boy.

"Engaged, fiddlesticks!" exclaimed the lady. "He's married, and I'm his wife."—Indianapolis Star.

This World of Ours.

"De world was made in six days," said Uncle Eben, "but it's been takin' thousands of years to git desirable tenants for it."—Washington Star

The best preparation for the future is the present well seen to, the last duty done—George Macdonald.

Power of Flattery.

Wife (in the cafe)—George, that brute over there has been staring at me for half an hour. Somebody ought to knock his fool head off. George (to stranger)—What do you mean, sir, by ogling my wife? Stranger (calmly)—I'll admit that I have taken more than passing notice of the lady. A more than ordinarily pretty woman always attracts my attention. Wife—Now, George, don't make a fool of yourself and start a scene in here. The gentleman evidently meant no harm.—Puck.

Letting It Go.

Hink was a shorthand reporter.

"I say, Penn," he said to his friend one day, "here's the boy from the office after that report of the lecture. Is it finished?"

"All but a short sentence toward the end," replied Penn, "and I can't quite make out what it is you have written."

"All right," answered Hink, "just insert 'Great applause' and let it go."

Result in the account of the lecture: "Gentlemen, I will detain you but a few seconds longer. (Great applause.)"—London Telegraph.

Hindsight.

Mickleby—Old chap, didn't your better judgment tell you not to make that investment? Dingle—No; my better judgment never tells me anything until after I've gone and made a fool of myself!

ILLEGAL FISHING

Sheriff Morris and his deputies have succeeded in arresting several fishermen who were violating the law by illegal fishing. The sheriff has siezed and now has in his possession, five men charged with illegal fishing, six boats, one of which is an expensive launch, and six seines. An effort will be made to confiscate these seines and boats. The sheriff reports he is informed the fishermen are working for a wholesale dealer in Sanford, who must certainly be as guilty, as accessory before and after the act, as the men who were pulling the nets. Many of Florida's multitudinous fishing laws have been passed for the benefit of corporations—to give the people something to think and quarrel about while the legislature failed to pass just regulating laws, or left unjust laws on the books. The sheriff of Volusia county reports that hundreds of people are violating the laws with regard to fishing, but that he loses money on every arrest he makes, owing to the expense of getting evidence, hiring launches, etc. Governor Catts will be informed of conditions, and an effort made to stop illegal fishing in Volusia county waters—DeLand News.

ARMY TRANSPORT SUMNER BREAKS IN TWO

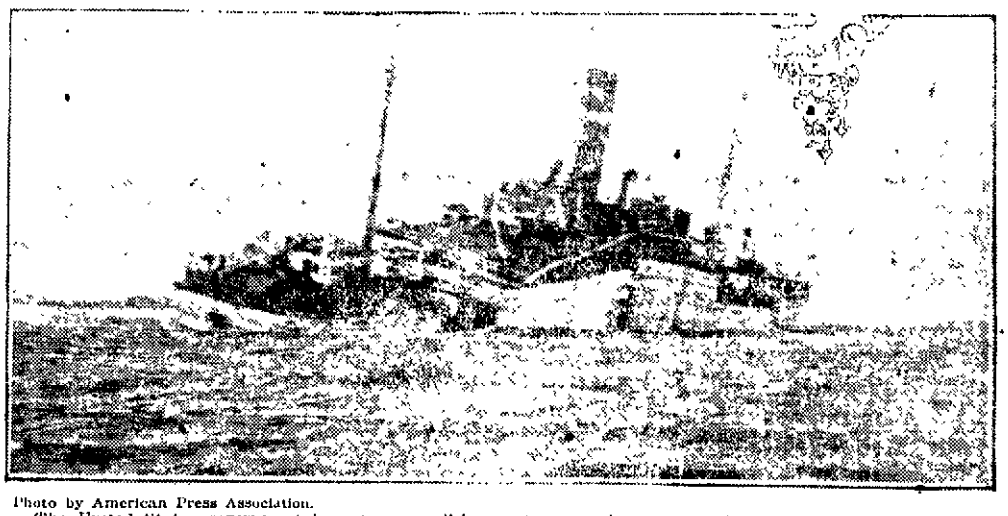

Photo by American Press Association.

The United States government has given up all hopes of saving the transport Sumner, which has now broken in two on the Barnegat shoals, off New Jersey She went aground Dec. 11 while carrying 299 passengers from the Panama canal to New York

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On account of the high price of all kinds of food stuff a little garden will greatly reduce the cost of living if a small amount of time should be given each day to the garden.

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